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PREPARING TO OUST "REDS."

CANTON COMMUNISTS TO BE ATTACKED.

NATIONALIST LEADERS UNITING FOR ACTION.

REDS ALSO REINFORCED.

The present position regarding the Canton turmoil would seem to be that, although the "Reds" are still in power and are carrying on a campaign of terror, efforts are being made to wrest the city from their control. One report speaks of General Li Fuk-lum's forces having re-captured the greater part of the city but this has not yet been confirmed.

It is established that General Chang Fat-kwai has consulted with General Li Fuk-lum and other military leaders on Honam Island concerning measures for ousting the "Reds." It was suggested at a conference that an appeal should be made to General Li Chai-sum for help, and a late message from Shanghai states that he will lead an anti-Communist expedition to Kwangtung.

Meanwhile, there have been reinforcements for the "Reds" from the North River district, these being said to total some 3,000 men. No anti-foreign agitation has occurred, but as a precautionary measure, foreigners are being evacuated from the out-lying districts.

Details of the looting and incendiarism carried out by the "Reds" during the coup on Sunday are supplied by passengers down from Canton, and show that widespread damage has been done.

DETAILS OF LOOTING & PILLAGE.

According to Chinese reports, defeated and returning to Honam, large detachments of anti-Red armies were rushing back to Canton to exterminate the "Reds" yesterday from the Kongmoon, Sze-yap and other districts of the West River and East River. The general attack on Canton was due to have been made last night, when it was expected that there would be more looting and burning by the "Reds."

The Wah Kiu Yat Po stated this morning that, according to a wireless message received last night, a large army of anti-Red soldiers crossed the river from Honam to re-take Canton at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The fight lasted for several hours, ending at about 7 o'clock. This message stated that all the "Reds" inside the city were driven out of the central district to the suburbs and that most parts of Canton were re-captured by the invading troops.

The counter-attack was made by the troops of the "Ironsides," under Mok Hung, some of whose soldiers were said to have taken up positions in the suburbs of the city. Another force of soldiers which joined in the general attack comprised the armies of General Li Fuk-lum from Honam. From 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., yesterday, the firing of guns on a large scale could be heard in most parts of the city, and the whole populace became panic-stricken. Many are of opinion that when the "Reds" were retreating they indulged in much looting and burning, but this has not yet been confirmed.

Sunday's Attack.

The same report states that the counter-attack last night was the first one of its kind. On Sunday afternoon, shortly after the coup had almost been completed by the "Reds," General Chang Fat-kwai, the Chief Commander of the "Ironsides," is said to have led a large number of General Li Fuk-lum's soldiers across the river by the gunboat Kong Tai, which directed heavy fire on the Canton Bund. When the bombardment was at its height, the "Reds" are said to have deserted the Bund. The Honam troops landed on the East Bund and are said to have also captured the South Bund. Mr. Chu Fai-yi, the chief of police, personally headed a party of soldiers and dashed into Wai Sun Road from the Bund to attack the Public Safety Bureau which had fallen into hands of the "Reds."

Later, reinforcements of the "Reds" arrived from the suburbs of Canton, and the Honam soldiers were outnumbered. A severe struggle ensued, during which bombs were freely used, the Honam soldiers being eventually

CAPTAIN LALOR'S CAPTIVITY.

PIRATES SUSPICIOUS AND WANT MORE MONEY.

A MILITARY STRONGHOLD.

London, Dec. 12.

The Admiralty has issued the following statement:—"Captain Lalor writes confidently, but he is in considerable discomfort. Naval authorities have sent him some antiseptic dressing for his wounded leg. He is within ten miles of the town of Shasi. The pirates are very suspicious and arrangements for a rendezvous are extremely difficult. Therefore Capt. Lalor's release may take some days. The bandit organisation is on the left bank of the Yangtze from Ichang to Shasi. It is very strong and military in character. An increased ransom has been demanded.—British Wireless.

THE DISARMAMENT PROBLEM.

BRITISH ATTITUDE TO BE CONSIDERED.

London, Dec. 12.

In the House of Commons to-day the Premier was asked whether he had now received a full account of the disarmament proposals made by the Russian Government at Geneva and what attitude the British Government would take at the next conference or commission at Geneva.

The Premier replied that the proceedings of the recent preparatory Commission would receive careful consideration before the attitude of the Government at the next meeting of the Commission was determined.—British Wireless.

MERGER OF RUBBER INTERESTS.

BIGGEST COMBINATION IN THE WORLD.

London, Dec. 12.

One of the biggest rubber-producing companies of the world will be formed by the merging of the Amalgamated Rubber and General Estates, and the Amalgamated Rubber and Development Company, into the United Serdang "Sumatra" Rubber Plantations.

The latter is increasing its capital from £1,000,000 to £1,500,000.

The planted acreage will exceed 38,000, including 1,000 acres of coffee.—Reuter.

ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

NO THOUGHT OF RENEWAL.

London, Dec. 12.

Asked whether the British Government has any intention of starting negotiations with Japan with a view to renewing the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, Mr. Locker-Lampson said that the Anglo-Japanese Alliance agreement was merged into a Four Power Treaty, signed at Washington on the 13th December, 1921, and a return to the former dual alliance had not been suggested by either Government.—British Wireless.

BIAS BAY PIRACY SUPPRESSION.

CONSIDERATION BY DIPLOMATIC BODY.

London, Dec. 12.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir John Power, Mr. G. Locker-Lampson said he was unable to make a definite statement at present as regards the steps to suppress the Bias Bay pirates, except that the question was being considered by a committee of the Diplomatic Body at Peking, consisting of the British, French, Italian, Japanese and United States Ministers.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN'S STORY.

RELEASED FROM CANTON GAOL.

DESTITUTE IN HONGKONG.

A small man about 40 years of age, who saw considerable service in the Great War, and later fought the "Reds" in Siberia, has arrived in the Colony from Canton, and has given himself up to the Police as a destitute. Giving his name as Nikolaas Gregorivitch Bykoff, a Russian national born in Brest-Litovsk, Poland, he was charged by Sub-Inspector Elston, before Major C. Wilson at the Central Police Court this morning, with being a vagrant on his own recognizance, and was committed to the House of Detention.

Behind this Police Court episode, there lies a career of much interest, with one thrilling episode succeeding another in the course of a remarkable series of adventures. Trained as a mariner, Bykoff had served as an officer in the Russian Volunteer Fleet, joined the Imperial Russian Army at the outbreak of the Great War, was wounded three times and gassed twice, and later joined the anti-Reds in Siberia. Followed another period of soldiering in

SHANGHAI RADICALS.

Demand Withdrawal of British Troops.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

A "Radical Committee" has been formed here in connexion with the charge of murder against Corporal Robertson of the Scots Guards, who is accused of shooting a Chinese houseboy.

The Committee has formulated a series of demands, including the withdrawal of all British troops.—Our Own Correspondent.

Siberia, then Bykoff drifted with many thousands of his countrymen, southwards to China where he served in Chang Tsung-chang's Battalion of Death, until expelled out. He next went to Shanghai, and sometime afterwards proceeded to Swatow where he was put into a Chinese prison. Transferred to Canton on a gunboat, but still denied his liberty, Bykoff remained in a Chinese prison for five months, until Saturday last, when he was freed with other prisoners and escaped to Hongkong.

War Service.

Such, in brief, was the story told in a statement to the police here. In a fuller account to a Telegraph reporter this morning, Bykoff said he was first trained to be a seaman, and for that purpose he studied navigation and obtained his master's certificate in 1912 at Vladivostok. As an officer he served two years in the Russian Volunteer Fleet, until the Great War in 1914, when he was sent westward to join the 170th Ust-Dvinsky Regiment as a volunteer on the south-western frontier.

He studied for a commission in the Imperial Army, and joined the Russian Imperial Army, serving till 1918, when he enlisted in the Ataman Komahoff's anti-Red Corps. The exciting period which followed saw him undergoing a number of vicissitudes, as the "Reds" pressed the "Whites" away from Vladivostok and Bykoff just managed to escape with his life, by fleeing to Genesang in Korea. From there, where he proceeded to Tientsin, where he worked as a baker's assistant for some time before recruiting with many other Russian nationals in Tapan Chang Tsung-chang's Battalion of Death. As a lieutenant in this Battalion, he served under the famous General Michaleff but was stricken down with cholera, and resigned from the Battalion on discharge from hospital.

Then followed many months of wandering until he came to Shanghai. He did odd jobs but there were never any prospects of permanent employment, and so Bykoff left Shanghai to go to Swatow (Continued on Page 14.)

BETTER BRITISH TRADE.

GOOD FIGURES FOR NOVEMBER.

INCREASED EXPORTS.

London, Dec. 12.

British exports rose with a bound in November, amounting in value to £70,500,000. This is the highest monthly figure since July 1924. It is an increase of £9,500,000 compared with October and an increase of £17,500,000 over November of last year, and an increase of £9,500,000 over November, 1925.

The character of the increase is even more pleasing than the amount, for, when compared with November of last year, articles wholly or mainly manufactured rose by £13,000,000.

The principal increases were iron and steel and manufactures, of which £2,750,000 were machinery, £1,500,000 cotton yarns and manufactures, £3,500,000 vehicles, including locomotives, ships and aircraft, £1,750,000 woolen and worsted yarns, and manufactures nearly £1,000,000.

Imports for the month totalled £107,500,000 being an increase of £2,500,000 compared with October and a decrease of nearly £5,000,000 as compared with last November.—British Wireless.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS.

STATEMENT TO BE MADE SOON.

London, Dec. 12.

Commander Kenworthy (Labour) asked in the House of Commons when it was proposed to make a statement in Parliament regarding the results of the conversations with representatives of the Egyptian Government as to the future relations of the British Government and the Royal Egyptian Government.

Mr. Locker-Lampson said he was unable at present to make any statement, but the Foreign Secretary would take the House into his confidence at the earliest possible opportunity.—British Wireless.

S.O.S. FROM TROOPSHIP.

SHORTAGE OF CIGARETTES.

London, Dec. 12.

"Send us smokes," was the new form of S.O.S. sent out by the steamer Bellerophon when nearing the Mersey from Shanghai with 600 troops on board, as the tobacco supplies were exhausted.

A tender was despatched from Liverpool and dispensed cigarettes to the eager Tommies lining the bulwarks. One impatient sufferer overbalanced and fell over the tender rope being rendered unconscious. When resuscitated he immediately requested a "rag"—Reuter.

FRENCH BUDGET.

HURRIED THROUGH THE CHAMBER.

Paris, Dec. 12.

In obedience to M. Poincaré's behest to speed up the Finance Bill, the Chamber of Deputies sat all day on Sunday and concentrated on the Budget, which was passed by 405 votes to 125 at an early hour in the morning.—Reuter.

A ROYAL VISITOR.

DANISH CROWN PRINCE IN LONDON.

London, Dec. 12.

A number of prominent people lunched to-day at the Danish Legation with the Danish Crown Prince, who is paying a private visit to London. They included the Premier and Mrs. Baldwin, Sir Samuel Hoare (Air Minister), and Lady Hoare and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (Labour leader).

The Prince of Wales is dining with the Danish Crown Prince this evening.—British Wireless.

MORE COMMUNIST OUTBREAKS.

AGITATORS EXECUTED IN WUHAN CITIES.

TERRORIST CAMPAIGN AT SHANGHAI CONTINUES.

A NEW BRITISH G. O. C.

Coincident with the Canton coup, Communists have been attempting to create trouble in Honkow, Hanyang and Wuchang, but at the latter place a number have been arrested and executed.

The efforts to secure a settlement of the Shanghai tramway strike have come to a standstill and the terrorist campaign organised by the strikers continues, another Inspector having been shot dead.

Several questions were asked in the House of Commons yesterday relative to British troops in China, and the War Office has issued a supplementary estimate for £3,900,000 to meet the cost. This, together with the £950,000 voted by Parliament in March, makes £4,850,000 since the force was sent out and great surprise has been expressed at the large amount required. A debate in the Commons is expected later in the week.

It is announced that Major-General A. E. Wardrop has been appointed to succeed Major-General John Duncan as G. O. C. of the troops in North China, consequent upon the latter's appointment as G. O. C. First Division.

HIGH COST OF BRITISH TROOPS.

Hankow, Dec. 12. the same purpose last March.—

Communists are still endeavouring to create serious trouble in the

Wuhan cities, but action is being taken against them in Wuchang, a number having been arrested and executed.

The situation affecting General Chen Chien and General Li Chung-yun shows no sign of change, the tension still running high.—

Naval Wireless.

SHANGHAI TERRORISM.

Another Inspector Shot.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

The terrorist campaign organised by the tramway strikers continues unabated, another Inspector being shot dead by desperadoes to-day.

The attempts at a settlement of the dispute are at a standstill as the result of the murders.—

Naval Wireless.

CHIANG'S FUTURE.

To Resume Control.

Shanghai, Dec. 12.

That Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will resume control of the Nationalist forces in the New Year is regarded as the result of the Kuomintang Conference, which appears to be closing.

Information available to-day is to the effect that arrangements have been made to hold the Fourth Plenary Conference at Nanking from January 1st to 15th.—

Naval Wireless.

BRITISH TROOPS' CONDUCT.

House of Commons Reference.

London, Dec. 12.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Wellock, Captain King said that there were now nine infantry battalions in China, of which six were in Shanghai.

Mr. Page Croft asked whether it was proposed to set aside a day for Parliament to thank the troops in China for their exemplary conduct, and Captain King said that Wednesday's debate would provide the opportunity.—Reuter.

Cost Nearly £5,000,000.

London, Dec. 12.

The War Office to-day issued Supplementary Army Estimates, amounting to £3,900,000 to meet the cost involved in the employment of extra troops in China.

This sum is additional to the £950,000 voted by Parliament for

House of Commons Surprised.

London, Dec. 12.

Members of the House of Commons are astonished at the amount of the Supplementary Estimate for the Shanghai Defence Force, which has exceeded any amount previously suggested.

When the estimate is discussed later in the week no doubt the subject of the maintenance of the force will be again raised, but at the same time, Ministerial circles are of the opinion that the need for troops in China is as great as ever, in which connexion the Communist riots at Canton are a vivid reminder.—Reuter.

NEW G.O.C. APPOINTED.

Gen. Wardrop for Shanghai.

London, Dec. 12.

Major General J. Duncan has been appointed General Officer Commanding, First Division, and Major-General A. E. Wardrop succeeds him as G.O.C. North China command.—Reuter.

Major-General John Duncan has been in command in North China since the despatch of the Shanghai Defence Force.

[Major-General Alexander Ernest Wardrop, C.B., C.M.G., R.A., has been General Officer Commanding the Lahore district, India, since 1923. He was born in 1872, the son of the late Major-General A. Wardrop, and entering the Army after leaving Haileybury, had a distinguished career. He served in the European War, 1914-1919, and was mentioned in despatches nine times, besides being awarded the Legion of Honour, which Order he was made an Officer, also the French War Cross, Italian War Cross, Order of St. Anne, 3rd class, with Swords, and the 1914 Star.]

A keen sportsman, he has written his shooting experiences in India, his publications including "Modern Pig-Sticking," and "Days and Nights with Indian Big Game."

THE NORTH WAR.

A Big Movement.

Peking, Dec. 12.

Military movements along the Peking-Hankow railway indicate that the Ankuochun is endeavouring to cut off the Kuominchun along the Lunghai railway. Fengtien troops are being rushed from Shihchiachuang to Changtsefu, enabling the Chihli-Shantung troops from there to advance southward.—

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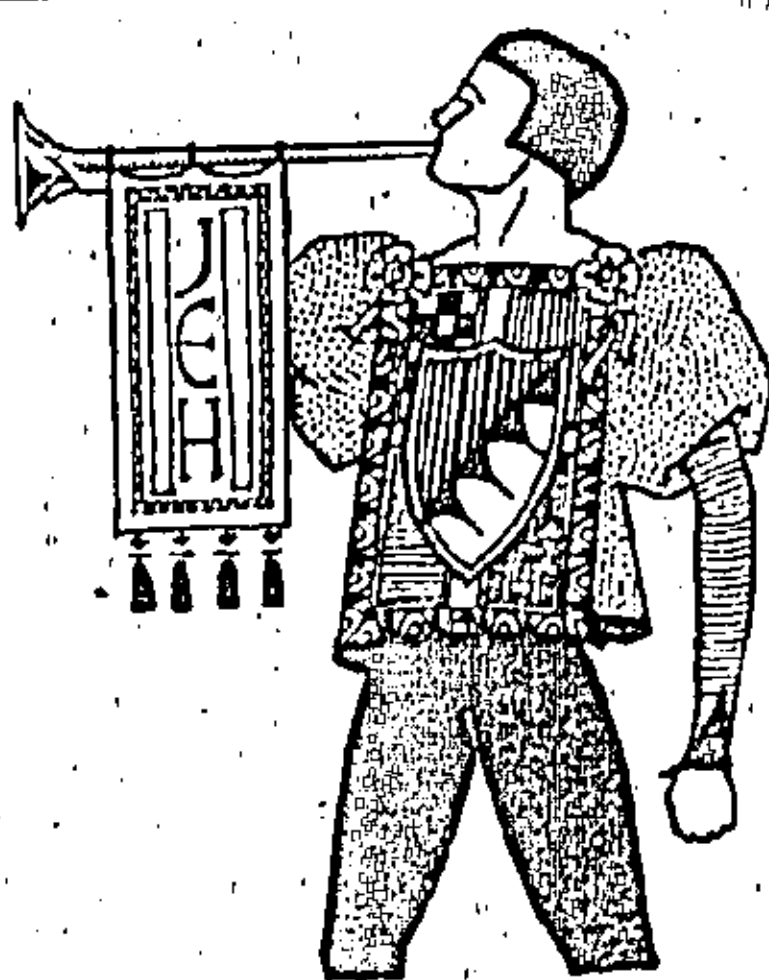
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LOCAL FUNERAL.

RESPECTED RESIDENTS LAID
TO REST.

The funeral of the late Dr. Wan
Man-kai, well-known in the Colony
and China as one of the oldest
pioneers in the China field of medi-
cal work, took place yesterday
afternoon, being attended by a
vast concourse of people which
included a number of Europeans,
prominent members of the Chinese
community, and practically all the
members of the Chinese medical
profession of Hongkong.

Impressive by its very simplicity,
the coffin drawn by a hearse, left
the family residence at No. 28
Caine Road shortly after one
o'clock in the afternoon, being
followed in the immediate rear by
the chief mourners, who were four
of the five sons of the deceased,
namely, Drs. Y. S. Wan and Ying
Wan, Mr. I. S. Wan and Mr. T.
S. Wan; and also the Misses S. C.
and L. S. Wan (daughters). As
the procession passed the To Chai
Church at Bonham Road, where
the late Dr. Wan was one of the
elders, a solemn note was sounded
on the church bell, and was con-
tinued until the last of the vast
attendance of over a thousand peo-
ple had passed the point.

For a brief space of time, the
cortege came to a halt at the Re-
creation Ground of the University,
to enable those of the attendance
who had not yet done so, to pay
their last respects by bowing be-
fore the coffin. It then continued
its way to the Chinese Christian
Cemetery at Pokfulam, where a
short service was held at the
Repository. In this building, the
remains will be left prior to inter-
ment, which will be carried out as
soon as the grave, dug in a difficult
site, has been prepared.

Amongst those present were
many prominent Chinese repre-
sentatives of the merchant and pro-
fessional classes, as well as the
Po Leung Kok, Tung Wah and
other public organizations. They
included Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon.
Sir Shou-son Chow, Hon. Dr. R. H.
Kotewall, Drs. C. C. Wang,
Ma Luk, Sik To Wong, T.
P. Woo, S. C. Ho, Ma Tsui-
kee, Kwang San-yin, Rev. T.
W. Pearce, Dr. S. W. Tso,
Messrs. Wong Kam-fook, Li Yau-
tsun, T. N. Chai, Li Po-kwai, K.
K. Wong, Hin Shing Lo, Ngau
Ping-chi, B. Wong Tapa, Philip
Gockelin, To Tok-chi, Li Tse-fong,
P. K. Kwok, Wu Hay-tong, Mok
Kon-sang, Tse Ka-po, and very
many others. Pupils from the
Ying Wah Boys' and Girls' Col-
leges were also present.

The Wreaths.

Wreaths were sent by His Ex-
cellency the Governor and Lady
Clementi, His Lordship Bishop
Valtorta, Sir Robert and Lady Ho
Tung, Hon. Sir Shou-son and
Lady Chow, Hon. Dr. and Mrs. R.
H. Kotewall, Mr. E. R. Hallifax,
Captain Errol Manners, R.N., Mr.
E. Ralphs, Dr. S. W. Tso, Mr. O.
W. Luke, Mr. C. M. Manners, Mr.
Alfred Morris, Mr. C. S. Ford, Mr.
D. W. Tratman, Mrs. L. Cooper,
Mrs. Mary Tregillus, Mr. Arnold
Hughes, Mrs. Ho Cheuk, Mrs. Ho
Fook, Professor C. Y. Wang, Dr.
C. C. Wang, Dr. Ma Luk, Dr. M. E.
Asger, Dr. C. H. Wan, and practi-
cally all the local Chinese medical
and members of the Hongkong
Chinese Medical Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kwong, Mr. and
Mrs. H. Lowcock, Mr. and Mrs. A.
P. Greaves, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki,
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. W. Kew, Mr.
and Mrs. E. C. Tregillus, Dr. and
Mrs. Arthur Woo, Mr. and Mrs.
W. J. L. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Wong
Kam-fook, and family, Mr. and
Mrs. Simon Tse-yan, Mr. and Mrs.
Lee Hy-san, Rev. and Mrs. E. Mar-
tin, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wong,
Mr. Li Tse-fong, Choa Po-yew, J.
M. Hall, K. K. Wong, Mr. Hin
Shing Lo, and many others.

The Vice Chancellor, Court,
Council and Senate of the Hong-
kong University, the members of
the Education Society, Hongkong
University, the Staff of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals,
the Members of the London Mis-
sion, Edna S. Atkins, the Staff and
Students of St. Stephen's Girls

College, the College Council, St.
Stephen's Boys College, the Staff of
Ying Wah College, the General
Committee and Members of the
Queen's College Old Boys Associa-
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Commerce, the Sincere Life As-
surance Company, Ltd., the Direc-
tors and Staff of the Colonial
Dispensary, Chun Tak Bank.

Mrs. Lo Cheung-shiu.

The wide respect in which the
late Mrs. Lo Cheung-shiu was held
in the Colony was evidenced in the
vast attendance at her funeral
yesterday afternoon as well as in
the extraordinarily large number
of floral tributes sent which filled
several trucks accompanying the
procession. The cortege with its
simple Chinese coffin drawn in a
hearse, started out from the family
residence at No. 20 Conduit Road
at 3.30, and followed by the hus-
band and sons of the deceased,
and an attendance of several
hundreds of friends and relatives,
proceeded to the burial ground at
Mount Davis Cemetery. On the
way, the cortege stopped for half-
an-hour at the University Recrea-
tion Ground, where the last re-
spects were paid to the deceased
lady.

The chief mourners were, Mr.
Lo Cheung Shiu (husband),
Messrs. M.K., M.W., M.H. and
Horace Lo (sons), M. P. Lo
(nephew), Shi Yu Man (brother).

There were also present Sir
Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Sir
Shou-son Chow and Lady Chow,
Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, His
Honour Mr. Justice Wood, Hon.
Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Sir Joseph
Kemp, Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard,
Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. R. A. C.
North, Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. J. W.
Franks, Mr. D. W. Tratman, Mr.
A. Piercy, Mr. A. H. Lammert,
Messrs. Ho Wing, Ho Kwong, Ho
Yu, Ho Kit, Ho Ki, Ho Leung, Ho
Kom-tong, Edward Ho Tung, Choa
Po Sien, Li Yau Tsun, Li Yik Mui,
Fung Ping Shan, Chan Pik Chuen,
Ip Lan Chuen, Mok Kon Sang, Lam
Kwai Sang, and many others.

Wreaths were by Her Sorrowful
Husband; Eda and Leung, Vic and
Kam, Margie and Wai, Edith and
Hin, Doris and Ki, Eileen and
Charles, Horace, Enid and Bertie;
Vi, Laura, Man Pun, Lily and
Daisy; Algy, Ronnie, Pam and
Cecie, Kenzie and Tom, Wilbur
and Phoebe, David and Betty;
Katie and Archie; Bertie, Mary,
Ernest and John Ho.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wood, Sir
Eric and Lady Stuart Taylor, Mr.
and Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. and
Mrs. H. A. Nisbet, Mr. and Mrs.
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dougall, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch,
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Mrs. R. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs.
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Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Richard
Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wal-
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Anderson, Capt. and Mrs. A. C.
Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grose,
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fox, Mr. and
Mrs. D. L. Ballantyne, Mr. and
Mrs. George Grimbly, Mr. and Mrs.
E. C. Tregillus, Mr. and Mrs. E.
Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. W. W.
Fox, Mr. and Mrs. S. Jex, Mr. and
Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A.
P. Greaves, Mr. and Mrs. F. E.
Nash, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Priestley,
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tod, Mr. and
Mrs. C. H. W. Kew, Mr. and Mrs.
Aucott (Shanghai), Mr. and Mrs.
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Randall, jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. E.
Green, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. da
Rozza, Mr. and Mrs. A. Urquhart,
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ost, Mr. and
Mrs. J. H. Seth, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Fricks, Mr. and Mrs. U. Rumjahn,
Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Young,
Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon.
Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Major C.
Willson, Capt. E. R. Forster, Cap-
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The subscription list for the above Fund will be closed on Friday, 16th inst. The presentation will be made at a reception to be held in the Cathedral Hall on Thursday, 29th inst., from 5 to 6 p.m.

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Messrs. Lammert Bros. have received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell the undermentioned.

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on **WEDNESDAY**, the 14th December, 1927, at 3 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

Lot 1.—Inland Lot No. 2162. (No. 11, Wengneichong Road).

Lot 2.—Section E of Inland Lot No. 796. (No. 67, Pokfulam Road).

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **FRIDAY**, the 16th December, 1927, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

comprising:—

Five and Three Coloured Vases, Bowls and Plates, Blue and White Vases, Screens, Ivory Figures, Jade, Agate and Crystal Birds, Carved Lacquer Screens, Vases, Mandarin Containers, Blackwood Screens, and Curio Cabinets, Chinese Hand Paintings, Old Bronze Vases and Incense Burners, etc., etc.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **MONDAY**, the 19th December, 1927, commencing at 11 a.m.

(At No. 4, Cambay Buildings, (Ground Floor) Nathan Road, Kowloon.)

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Provisions, Perfumes, Powder, Toilet Articles, Fancy Hand Bags, Showcases, Desks, Cupboards, etc., etc. (In small lots to suit purchasers.)

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Hongkong, 12th Dec., 1927.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on **TUESDAY**, the 20th December, 1927, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Fine Assortment of Valuable and Suitable Articles for Xmas Presents, comprising:—

Silver Caps, Silver Tea Sets, Vases, Spoons, Photo Frames and Sundry Silver Ornaments.

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LOCAL ROBBERIES.

KOWLOON RESIDENT'S LOSS.

A number of local robberies were reported yesterday to the police.

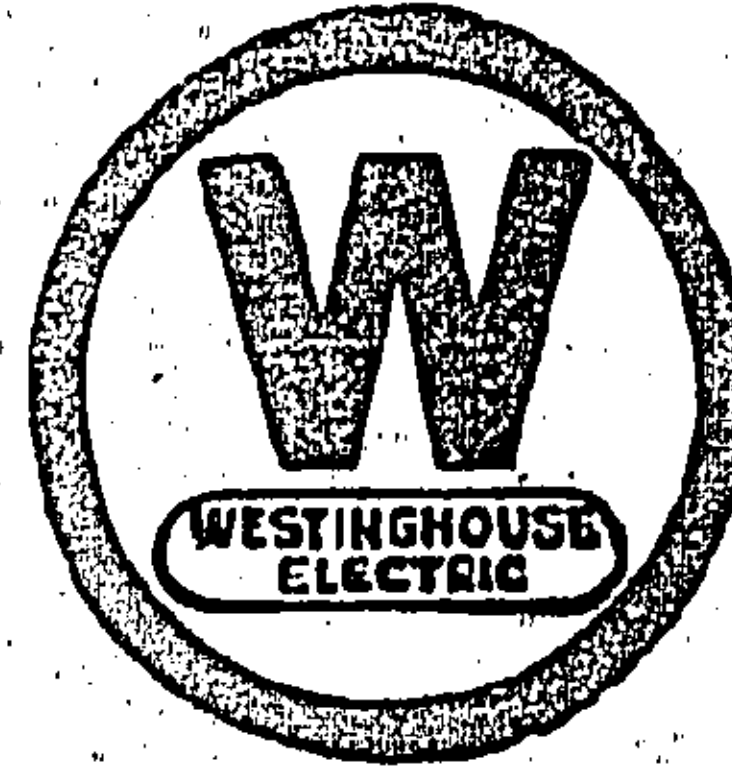
A report made by Mr. C. M. Mannors was to the effect that some one entered his bedroom yesterday and stole jewellery valued at \$770. The theft is believed to have taken place between 4 and 6 p.m. and a servant who absconded at 4.30 p.m. is strongly suspected. Mr. Mannors lives at No. 4 Armand Building, Kimberly Road.

The Rev. J. Guahar, of the Rhenish Mission, Bonham Road, made a report to the police that some one managed to break into a room on the ground floor and steal money and a Corona typewriter. The total value of the loss is placed at \$168.

Messrs. C. E. Warren & Co. reports that 178 brass tags, valued at \$311, have been stolen from their godown at 216, Wanchai Road.

The master of the Tai Yau Garage, of No. 2 Whitfield Road, made a report to the police yesterday to the effect that a foki of the shop, has robbed his wife of a pair of gold bangles. It appears that the foki proceeded to his master's house and asked his mistress to let him have a pair of bangles, stating that the master had authorised him to borrow it, to enable one of the foki's relatives to attend a wedding. He was not seen again at the shop. The value of the bangles is placed at \$90.

Hongkong passengers on board the s.s. City of Lahore, due to arrive next Saturday, include Miss W. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Grey, Miss F. McGill and Miss M. Taylor.



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MARINE COURT CASES.

MAGISTRATE REDUCES SENTENCES.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. G. F. Hole, Mr. M. K. Lo appeared on behalf of 17 prisoners who were last week sentenced to terms of imprisonment without the option of a fine for boarding s.s. President Pierce without permission of the Commanding Officer.

Correspondence had since then passed between the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, the Police and the Marine Magistrate, with reference to this case, and on this the appeal was based.

Mr. M. K. Lo, addressing His Worship, stated that he had been instructed to request a review of the case, but in view of the fact that all prisoners had pleaded guilty at the original hearing, he could not go into the facts. He understood that the case could not be re-opened without the sanction of the police authorities, but he was not aware what their attitude was.

His Worship then produced a document received from the authorities, which Mr. Lo perused.

Mr. Lo then asked that the case should be reviewed in respect of those prisoners who had not been previously convicted. Had there been specific circumstances such as an alleged boarding of the ship for illicit purposes, such as stealing or receiving contraband goods, then his case would probably fall. But boarding was the only charge and therefore he submitted that this in itself was not sufficient to merit imprisonment without the option of a fine. Had he previously appeared in the case, he would have been just as strenuous in opposing goal without the option. Sentences of this nature inflicted severe hardships upon the dependents of the prisoners and while he was not unmindful of the nuisance caused by these boarders and the difficulties with which the police and the ships officers had to contend, he thought that even though

the extreme penalty was inflicted, the option of a fine should be made in alternative in the finding of the Court.

Inspector Aris, in answer to his Worship, stated that the police had no objection to a reduction of sentences in respect of the prisoners who had not been previously convicted, but he pressed for the full penalty against such as had previous convictions registered. The case was particularly bad, as the persons had boarded while the President Pierce was under way between Holt's Wharf and the Kowloon Wharf.

His Worship gave his decision on the review by reducing the sentence of imprisonment from one month to one of six days on the first offenders, the sentence against the remaining two being confirmed. This is, in effect, a sentence of six days' hard labour, terminating as from the time of the reviewed decision this morning.

Captain Charged.

Captain Ellis Walker, of the s.s. Chinghua, was charged at the instance of Boarding Officer Thompson with furnishing false information in respect of clearance from the harbour of Victoria.

Defendant pleaded guilty and stated that on the day in question, he left the ship at 9.0 a.m. and went to the local office where he was informed that, on sailing, there would be only one European passenger on board. Returning to the ship in the afternoon, he saw four coolies on board and was informed by the comprodrate that they were supercargoes. The Boarding Officer approached him later, and told him there were 25 passengers on board. On being questioned, the comprodrate admitted this and 21 passengers were found in the second cabins.

His Worship, in ordering a fine of \$100 with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, stated that he had no option but to inflict a fine. The Ordinance as at present framed held the master responsible and it was not possible to charge the comprodrate. "I hope you will take it out of him," he added. Captain Walker stated that the man had already been dismissed.



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YACHTING.

THIRD LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

The following are the results in the third Ladies' Championship race sailed over the following course yesterday: 1. Channel Rocks (P.), 2. Kowloon Rock (P.), 3. Channel Rocks (S.), 4. Cust Rocks Buoy (P.).

Yacht	Finish- ing Time.	Correct- ed Time.	Posi- tion.
Diana	4.12.04	4.11.03	2
Colleen	4.15.11	4.10.06	1
Rolla	D.N.S.		
Falcon	D.N.S.		
La Linda	4.23.29	4.18.45 1/2	3
Argilla	D.N.S.		
Dorothea	D.N.S.		

"Y." and "G."

Daphne	D.N.S.	4.32.57	8
Alice	4.32.57	4.27.41	3
Halcyon	4.27.41	4.27.41	3
Gael	D.N.S.		
Pierrette	4.30.58	4.28.25 1/2	5
Thelma	4.33.15	4.26.37 1/2	2
Viking	D.N.S.		
Joan	D.N.S.		
Why Wonder	4.30.29	4.28.27	6
Wings	4.29.56	4.27.54	4
Bluenose	4.28.12	4.24.10	1
Boojum	4.33.66	4.31.54	7
Adams	4.37.22	4.35.20	9
Zephyr	D.N.S.		
Lola	D.N.S.		
Owl	D.N.S.		

"HOGAN'S ALLEY."

THRILLS IN FILM AT THE STAR.

There are several thrills, including a plane rescue from a train wreck, in "Hogan's Alley," the new picture at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The star of "Hogan's Alley" is Monte Blue as the idol of the alley, who sacrifices his famous left hand to save the girl he loves. Patsy Ruth Miller is delightful, first as Patsy Ryan, the pig-tailed terror of the alley and later as a charming young woman. Willard Louis as Patsy's father, Louise Fazenda as a bright bit of Broadway and Max Davidson as a Jewish clothing merchant furnish the comedy. Ben Turpin comes in for a share of the laughs as a light photographer.

LETTER GOLF.

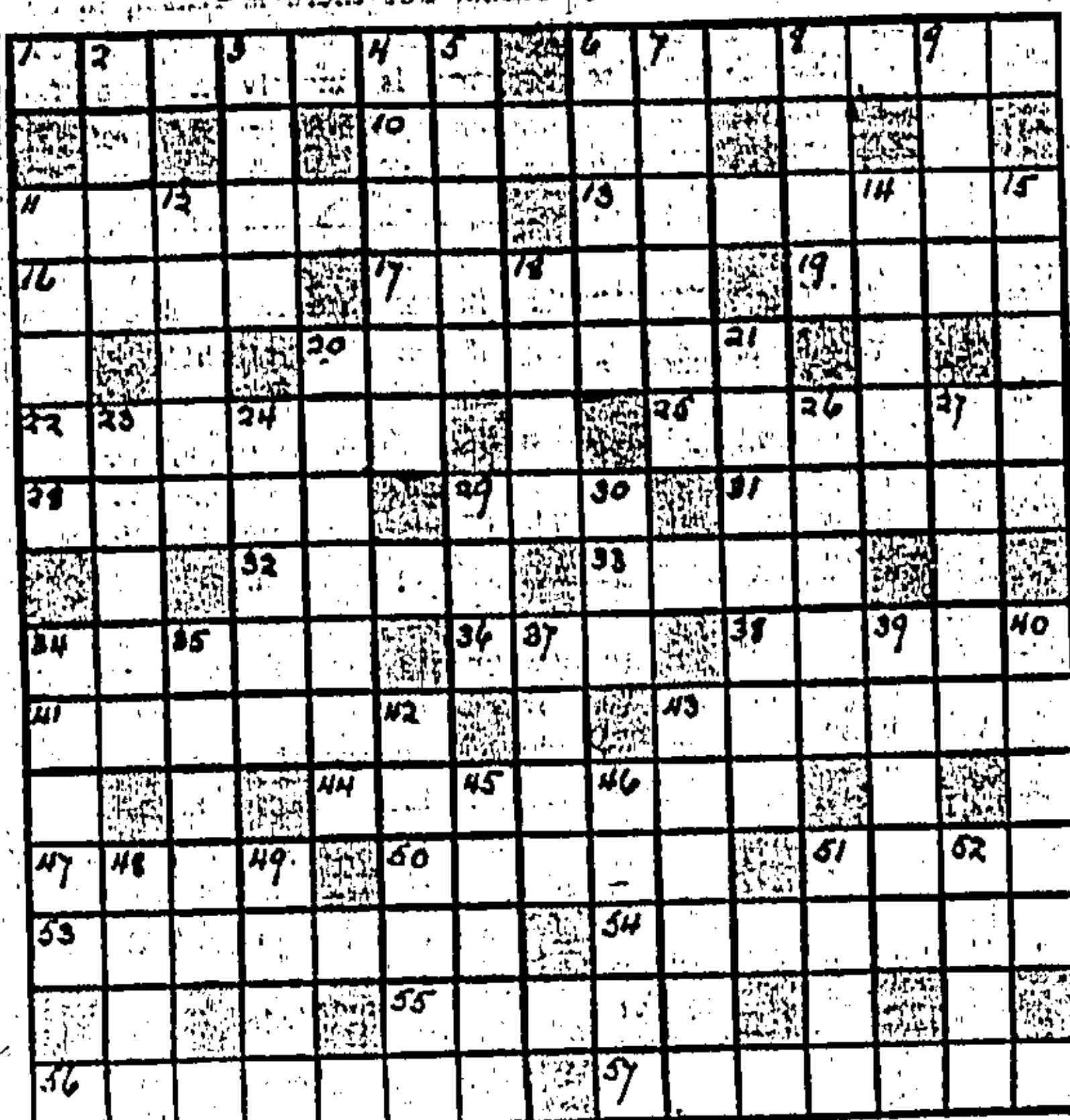
USE BOTH IN FOOTBALL.

In football you're supposed to use your TOES, but don't let your HEAD get away from you, either. If you can't work this in four strokes, better turn to our suggested solution.



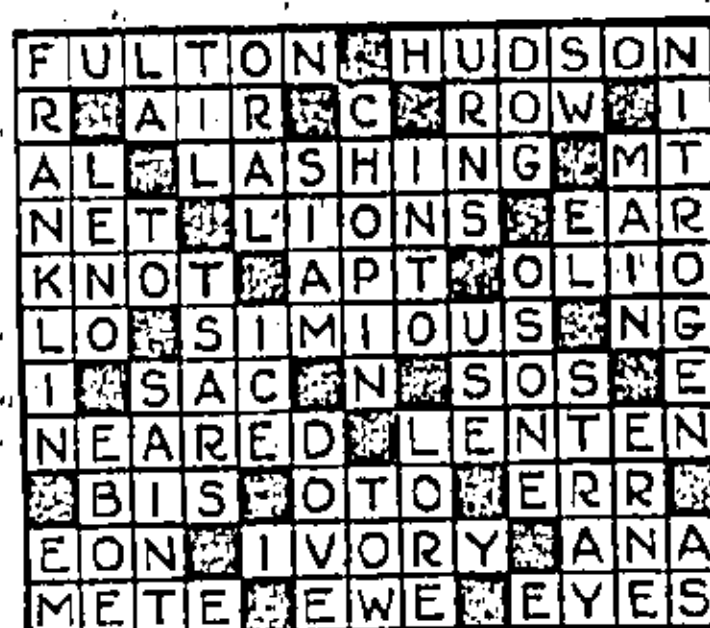
1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in four, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW TO HEN, in three strokes: COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.
2—You can change only one letter at a time.
3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.
4—The order of letters cannot be changed.
One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



- Across.
- 1 Panicles made with eggs.
 - 6 Escalade.
 - 10 Pertaining to the hilum.
 - 11 Squeezed.
 - 13 Distinctions.
 - 16 Breach.
 - 17 Killed.
 - 19 Paradise.
 - 20 Male hawk.
 - 22 Short stops.
 - 25 Tracer.
 - 28 Metal.
 - 29 A solution of Alkali.
 - 31 Swimming birds.
 - 32 Ball of thread.
 - 33 Mohammedan chief.
 - 34 A brother's daughter.
 - 36 Inflammable liquid.
 - 38 Person blindly attached to an opinion.
 - 41 Agreement.
 - 43 Drowsy.
 - 44 Surfeit.
 - 47 Hebrew month.
 - 50 Asian carnivorous animal.
 - 51 Penetrate with the teeth.
 - 53 Discovers.
 - 54 Ships engaged in the seal-fishery.
 - 55 Anaesthetic.
 - 56 Make ready.
 - 57 Wife of a Tsar.
- Down.
- 2 Small lake.
 - 3 Pillot.
 - 4 An essay.
 - 5 Move to one side.
 - 6 French law excluding females from throne.
 - 7 Stretched out neck like a crane.
 - 8 Entice.
 - 9 Grief.
 - 11 Supports.
 - 12 Succeeded.
 - 14 Ancient Roman magistrate.
 - 15 Trap.
 - 18 Soldiers collectively.
 - 20 Those who number.
 - 21 Capable of being read.
 - 23 Upper room.
 - 24 Kind of fresco painting.
 - 27 Brood of eagles.
 - 29 Impede by one's own act.
 - 30 Sign of the zodiac.
 - 32 Slimy fish.
 - 34 Water nymph.
 - 35 Burst of applause.
 - 37 The rainbow.
 - 39 One of a race of demons.
 - 40 Emblems.
 - 42 Web-footed tropical bird.
 - 43 Guides.
 - 45 Palate.
 - 46 A personal effect.
 - 48 Costly.
 - 49 Cut down and gather.
 - 51 Stain.
 - 52 Kind of steel-yard.

Yesterday's Solution.



QUEEN'S THEATRE.

SPECIAL COMEDY'S FINAL SCREENINGS.

"We're in the Navy Now," the special comedy which has been drawing crowded houses at the Queen's Theatre since Sunday, is being screened for the last time this evening. "We're in the Navy Now" is one of the season's funniest farces. Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton, who jumped to fame as comedians in "Behind the Front," are even better as sailors. "We're in the Navy Now" has the further advantage that the story is more connected and there are a larger number of "clever new" gags.

"FORMER RUSSIAN GENERAL."

SUCCUMBS AT SHANGHAI MARKET.

Peter Ivanoff Mungieff (53) reported to be an ex-major-general of the Imperialist Russian Army, was the subject of an inquest at the Public Mortuary, Shanghai last week, presided over by Judge Koh and Deputy Burdett. Deceased collapsed at the Hong-kew Market whilst making purchases on Monday morning at six

JACK HOLT.

"SEA HORSES" AT WORLD THEATRE.

The principal picture at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow is the romantic melodrama, "Sea Horses." The plot revolves around Florence Vidor as Helen Salvia who is on her way to join her husband in Panda, an isolated East African port. The captain of the ship, Jack Holt as George Glanville falls in love with her. How he subsequently rescues her from a beachcomber husband who is killed during an exciting battle during a storm provides an exciting climax. The shipboard scenes of "Sea Horses" are presented with excellent realism, and the atmosphere of the East African port has been skillfully suggested.

o'clock and was removed in a public ricksha to the General Hospital where he was certified dead by Dr. Bennett, House Surgeon. At the inquest a medical certificate was produced showing that the cause of death was, primarily "arteriosclerosis and paralysis of heart; secondary, paralysis of the heart." A verdict was returned that death was due to natural causes. The body is to be taken care of by Mr. Menchow, son of the deceased who identified it at the Mortuary.

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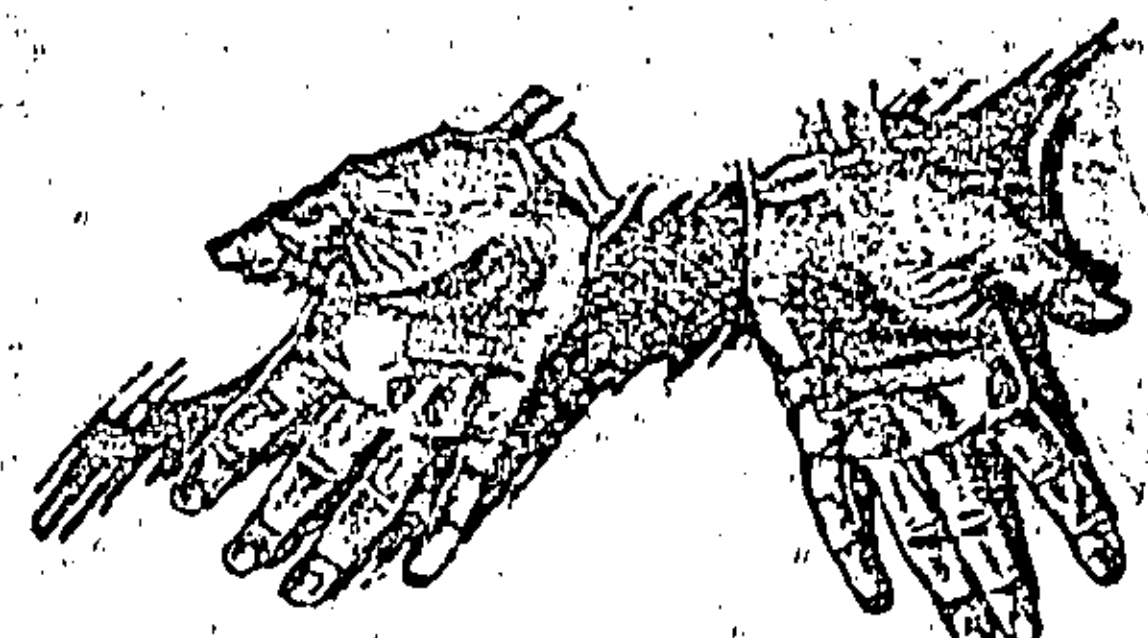
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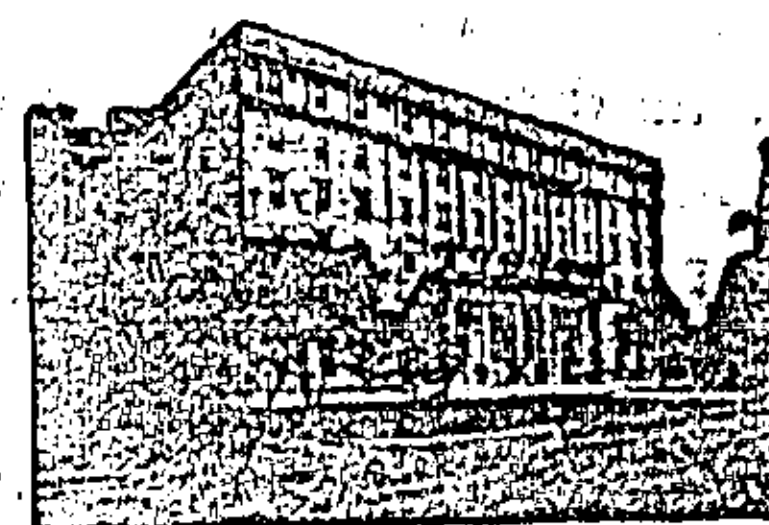
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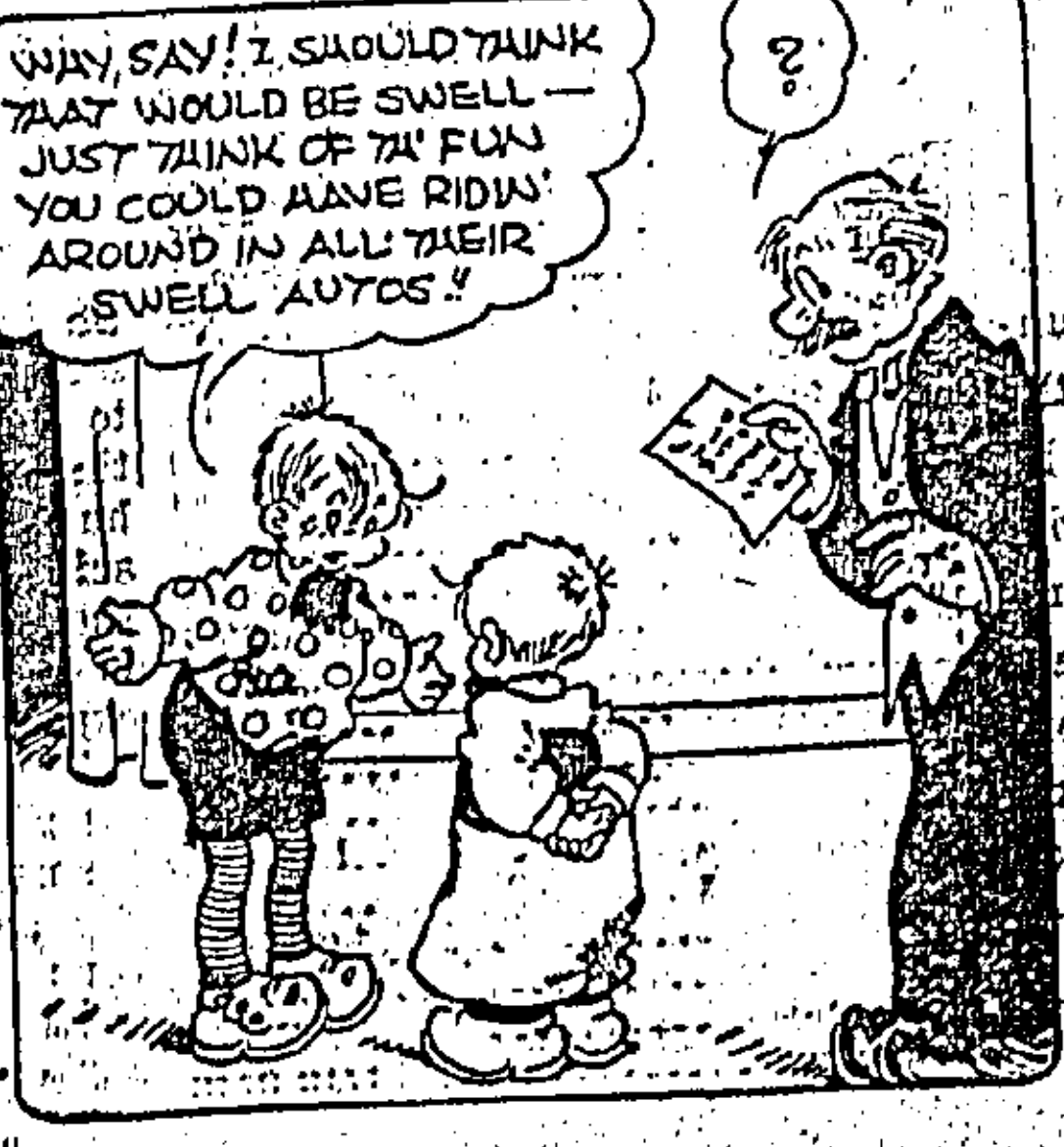
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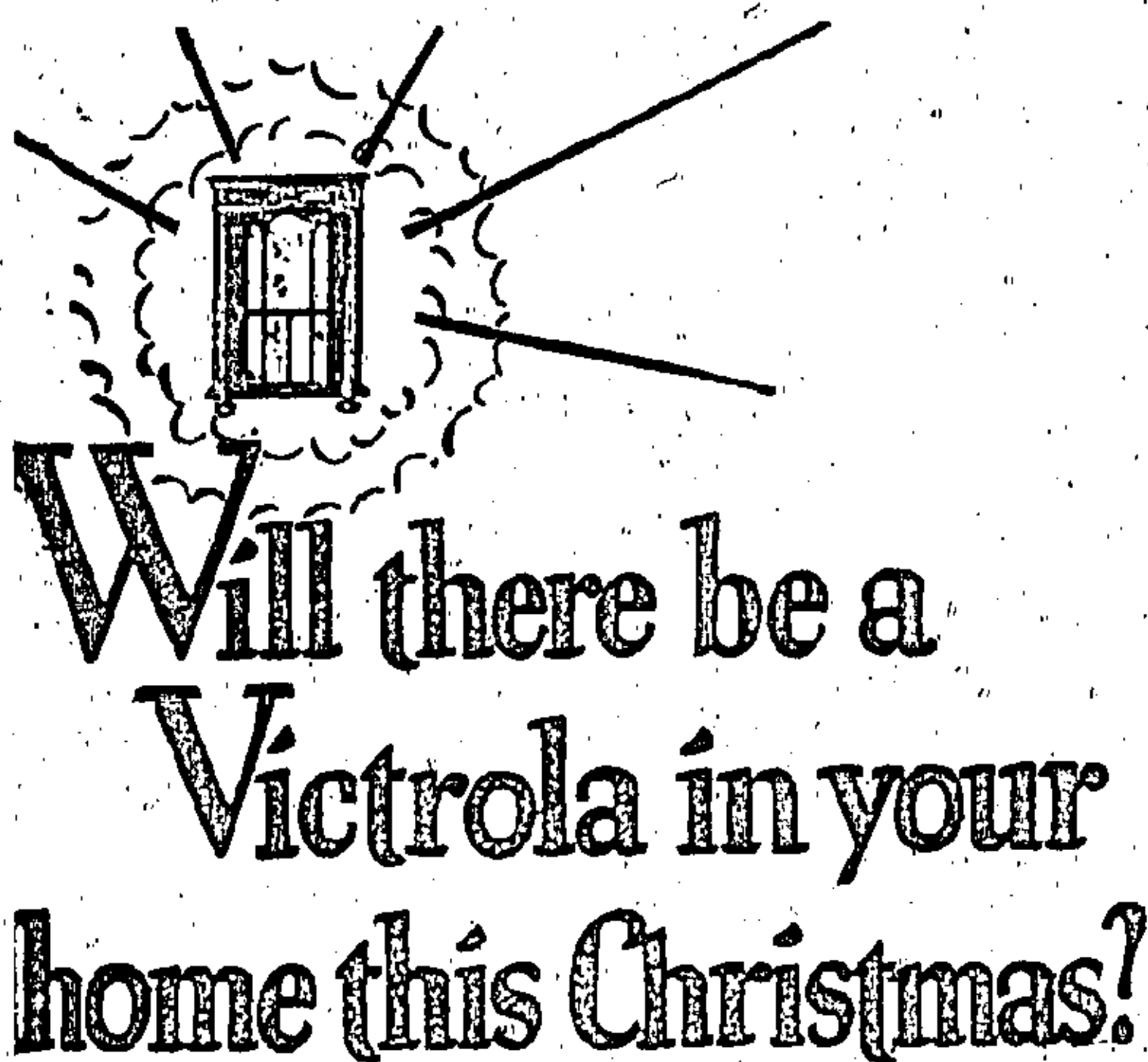
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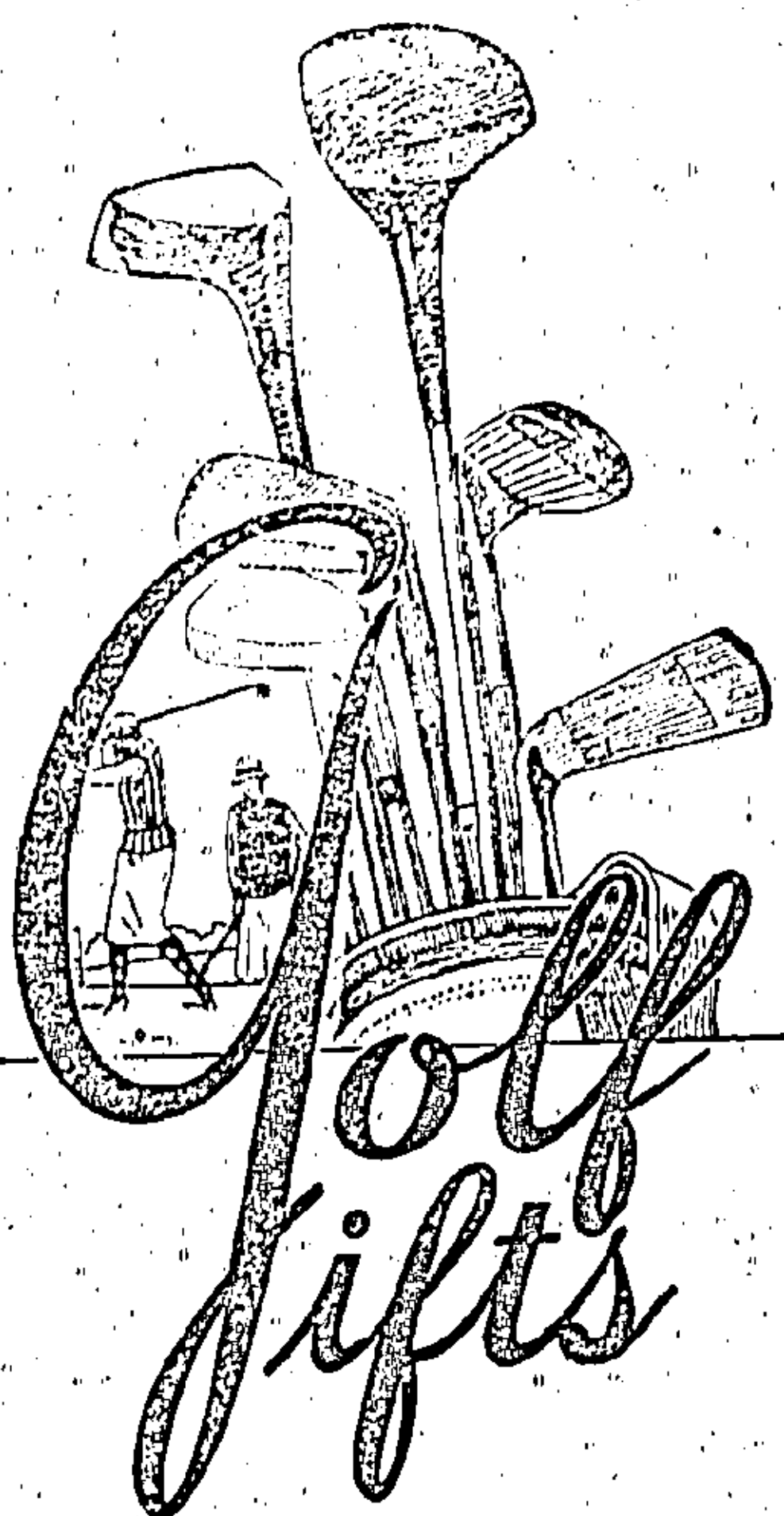
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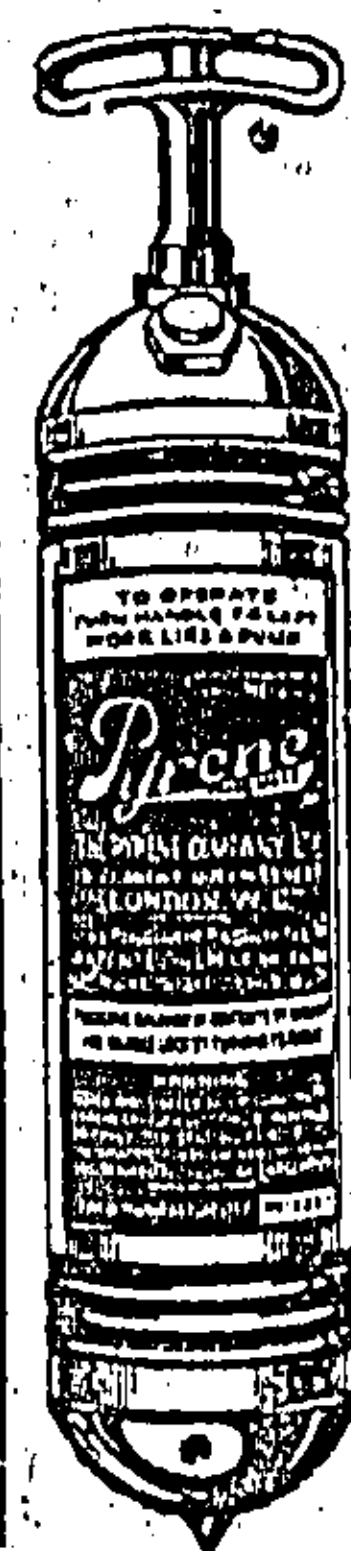


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IN CANTON NOW.

The latest coup at Canton serves to aggravate conditions in the Kuomintang camp, and to draw attention further to the impossible situation at present ruling in Nationalist circles. That Canton has gone absolutely "Red" for the present there can be no doubt, but the transition process has been apparent for a long time. It started more definitely with the return of General Chang Kai-wai, the head of the "Ironsides," to the city, and the subsequent friction with the "moderate" commander, Li Chai-sun. Next came the return of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, an out-and-out radical. Less than a month ago, General Li and Mr. Wang passed through Hongkong on the way to a preliminary Kuomintang conference at Shanghai, the outcome of which, incidentally, has been a further schism in the Nationalist ranks, with Nanking, of the moderate faction, breaking away from Canton, the radical-governed unit in Nationalism. But the latest events on the mainland rather suggest that General Chang Kai-wai has almost been hoist with his own petard. Immediately after the departure of Li and Wang, Chang carried out his coup, and the "Ironsides" took control. Now they in turn are ousted by extremists of the deepest "Red" dye. There was a reference the other day to possible Soviet co-operation, by means of Russian officers and huge quantities of arms from Vladivostok. This message was received with reserve, but apparently the authors of the allegation, the Nanking clique, were in possession of information that a revolutionary coup of a decidedly extremist nature was about to be attempted at Canton. Events over the week-end have borne out that forecast, and it remains to be seen how far Soviet intrigue may be implicated.

Of the actual coup itself little need be said at this stage. Competent observers do not consider that its success will go long unchallenged, and assert that the rule of the ultra-"Reds" will be short-lived. The less extremist faction are better equipped, and should soon oust the upstart peasant-worker-soldier combination. But not without considerable turmoil, and harmful consequences to the population and to trade and communications. Progress is thus at a standstill, and the future is dark. One has got into the habit of speaking of Communism in

China, but there is reason to believe that Communism in the country is merely a name for anarchy. Whoever indulges in excesses, whoever opposes some so-called moderate element, is perforce a "Red" or a Communist. The Soviet encourages the wearing of red scarves, and other demonstrations of pseudo-Bolshevik leanings. But it is merely an encouragement of anarchy. The China clay which the Moscow agents hoped to mould to their own form, has proved difficult to manipulate, and the Soviet is probably content to let it assume whatever shape the tendency of the moment suggests. But it means confusion worse confounded, and chaos multiplied to a point of bewilderment. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is stated to be determined to stamp out the radicals in Kwangtung and elsewhere, and then to "eliminate" Marshal Chang Tso-lin and the North generally. It is indeed a stupendous task, and one which might well make him despair. It means that he will have to reunite the loose strands of Nationalism. Can he, or anyone else, succeed? The experiences of the past few months in China suggest that unity is further away than ever. The Nationalists came the nearest to achieving the well-nigh impossible, but they stand today a discredited party before the whole world, an example of disintegration following on failure to sink personal differences or petty ambitions. The position at Canton today is no better than it was several years ago, when warring elements were continuously breaking out into internecine strife. The present "Red" regime may be non-existent in a short while, but it will leave the aftermath of resentment, and pave the way for resumption of plot and counter-plot. The future is obscure, and the outlook far from hopeful. It is a commentary on the sad state into which China has fallen, and the great effort which will be necessary if the entire country is not to sink into utter, chaotic misery.

A Labour Idea.

It would seem that Mr. Philip Snowden is beginning to take second thoughts regarding the somewhat fanciful Labour scheme of a two-shilling surtax on personal income derived from investments. One of the Labour M.P.'s has evidently sought to get Mr. Snowden's plan more clearly defined, but the Deputy Chairman of the Labour Party declines to be drawn. "Only a Chancellor can make a Budget," says Mr. Snowden, who now airily talks of this Labour idea as "an expression of principle." From this, it is easy to see that Mr. Snowden has begun to realise that it is one thing to talk of surtaxes on investments and quite another to work out a sound and feasible scheme. The cables have not intimated why there has been this call for a definition of the Labour plan, but possibly even some of Labour's supporters have begun to fear that their own savings are likely to be affected if any such proposal is seriously brought forward. We have found that with the Socialists there is never any hesitation about taxing other people, so long as they themselves go free. That attitude is also at the base of the ridiculous idea of an equal division of wealth, but everything to gain. However, it is well that occasionally the Labour leaders should be brought down to earth, as in the case under notice.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Dec. 12.
Paris	124
New York	488 7/16
Brussels	34.90
Geneva	26.28
Amsterdam	12.97 1/2
Milan	20.45
Berlin	18.09
Stockholm	18.20
Copenhagen	18.34
Oslo	34.62 1/2
Vienna	104 1/4
Prague	103 1/4
Helsingfors	29.27 1/2
Madrid	2 1/16
Lisbon	37 1/2
Athens	790
Bucharest	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	47 7/8
Bombay	1/5 1/16
Shanghai	2/7 1/4
Hongkong	2/0 3/4
Yokohama	1/10 9/16
Silver (spot)	20 5/16
Silver (forward)	20 11/16

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

NO LAW, HOWEVER STRINGENT, CAN MAKE THE IDLE INDUSTRIES PROVIDENT, OR THE DRUNKEN SOBER.—
Samuel Smiles.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Burgess returned to the Colony on the Empress of Russia from Manila.

Mrs. Cock is to distribute the prizes at the Kowloon Junior School on Tuesday next.

The health return for Saturday and Sunday showed two Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever.

The Empress of Asia left Vancouver on the 10th instant and is due here on the 29th instant.

The P. and O. s.s. Jeypore, which left Dally at noon on the 9th inst., is due here at noon to-morrow.

The Haiyang, arriving from the Straits with 480 deck passengers, reports the death of one en route from consumption.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., have issued their customary desk calendar, which should prove most useful in the office.

On a charge of larceny of a fountain pen from the pocket of a pedestrian yesterday, a Chinese was this morning sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 12 arrivals and nine departures of which seven and three respectively were British, leaving 67 vessels carrying three of the four freights of four figures entered.

An insane Chinese, who lived at No. 28, Tai Shek Street, first floor, suffered serious injuries when he jumped into the street from the verandah of his house yesterday. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese woman was fined \$5 by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, for causing unnecessary pain and suffering to three chickens by carrying them with their wings tied together with a piece of string.

Cinema-goers are requested to note that owing to the length of the film, special starting times have been arranged for "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. Performances begin promptly at 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.30, and the picture will be screened immediately after the overture.

THE WEEK'S HEALTH.

LIGHT RETURN OF DISEASE.

The health return for last week shows that there were three Portuguese cases of diphtheria, two of which proved fatal. There were two Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever (one fatal), one fatal case of typhoid fever, and one fatal case of paratyphoid fever. Yesterday's notifications comprised one Chinese case of diphtheria and one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—As I am one of those folk who make my living aloft, you will perhaps pardon the lateness of this letter? It was only yesterday that I was able to read the account of Dr. John Tut's lecture on Christian Science.

In passing, may I remark that I have been reading Christian Science literature off and on for years past, and although I have been educated at least to the point of receiving certificates of proficiency in my profession, I have never yet been able to grasp what Christian Science really is and how it works. I found the same difficulty after reading Dr. Tut's lecture.

I can only presume that Dr. Tut has by this time left Hongkong, but I understand that some sort of Publicity Committee is in existence here. If so, will the Chairman of that Committee tell me what Dr. Tut means (referring to progressive medicine) he says that "...healing comes to the human mind through the consciousness of the practitioner or the patient or both, and the effect is on the body for the human body expresses human thought?"

Would any Christian Science practitioner dare to say (even to themselves) such by the bedside of a patient suffering from cancer? Or would such thought on the part of the patient have any effect on the disease?—Yours, etc.,

MARINE.

Hongkong, 12th Dec., 1927.

A LAUNCH MASTER'S WAGES.

CLAIM AGAINST OWNERS FAILS.

Remarking that the plaintiff had failed to establish any contract between himself and the defendants for payment of wages, Mr. Justice Wood gave judgement for the defendants in a claim for wages which was heard in the Summary Court this morning.

The case was one in which Ho Yuet-hing, 200 Temple Street, Yaumatei, sued Lau Fook-tsoi, 197, Reclamation Street, Mongkok, Kowloon, and Au Lun-sang, 12 Mongkok Road, for \$225.50, being balance of wages due as master on board the steam launch "Man Sing" from April 2 to September 25 last year at the rate of \$80 per lunar month. Mr. W. D. Owen was for the plaintiff and Mr. D. McCallum defended.

Mr. Owen explained that the defendants were the owners of the launch and the plaintiff was engaged by the charterers as master. He worked for some months in this capacity but the launch ceased to run and became idle.

Unstamped Document.

In some way a debt was contracted between the charterers and the defendants and it was agreed between them that in consideration of that debt the defendants should pay the wages of the master and the crew. A document to that effect was acknowledged at a meeting at which all the parties were present.

The document was produced and his Lordship remarked that it was not a contract, and was not stamped.

Mr. Owen agreed, saying there was no contract on the face of it. The document was an acknowledgment. Continuing, he said the launch remained idle and was eventually sunk in the typhoon of August 20th this year. The original claim was \$275, but it was admitted that \$47 had been repaid, leaving the balance claimed.

In reply to his Lordship, the plaintiff said there was no contract between the defendants and himself.

Wrong People Sued.

His Lordship said it seemed to him that the wrong people were being sued.

Mr. Owen:—The question of responsibility for the debt was deliberately undertaken by the present defendants at that meeting.

His Lordship:—They have given no undertaking to you. Questioned by Mr. Owen on this point, the plaintiff said that although the document was between the defendants and the charterers, they really promised to pay him and that intention was stated at the meeting.

His Lordship held that no contract between the plaintiff and the defendants had been proved. He would therefore give judgment for the defendants with costs.

WHOSE WINE?

SEQUEL TO SEIZURE ON JUNK.

The seizure of 23 jars of dutiable wine on board a junk at Shaukiwan on December 8th resulted in Lam Wai, alleged to be the master, being charged with being in possession of the wine, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios defended.

A foki on board the junk gave evidence of pointing out the defendant to the police as the master. The last trip, he said, was to Macao where the jars of wine were put on board. The defendant was present when that cargo was taken.

Mr. Remedios cross-examined to show that the defendant was not in fact the master. The name on the licence was Lung Sang-fat and witness said he had never heard of the man. Witness said he was engaged by the defendant and not by a blind woman.

A police witness said the defendant was pointed out to him on board another boat belonging to a blind woman. The first witness said the defendant was the master, but this was denied. The defendant accused the woman of providing him with capital to import the wine from Macao, but she denied this. He understood from the words used that the woman was the principal in the transaction and also owned the junk.

Sergeant Meadows stated that the defendant did not implicate the woman until he was taken to the Police Station.

Mr. Remedios pointed out that from the evidence of the prosecution it would appear that the woman was in fact the owner of both the junk and wine, and the defendant's possession would cease as soon as the boat arrived in the Colony.

Mr. Lindsell suggested that an additional charge of importing should be added and adjourned the case until Thursday at noon.

PEAK TRAMWAY INCIDENT.

EUROPEAN FINED FOR OBSTRUCTION.

Mr. Charles J. Hiron figured as defendant in three summonses taken out by the Peak Tramway Company, at the Central Police Court to-day. The case was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared to prosecute for the Peak Tramway Company.

Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, who represented the defendant, said he understood his friend was withdrawing the second charge, "I am pleading guilty to the other two," added Mr. Hugh Jones.

Mr. Armstrong:—There is no evidence of an actual interference with the machinery, so I am withdrawing that second charge.

Mr. Hugh Jones:—Defendant admits going into the engine house.

His Worship:—On what evidence are you proceeding with this charge of wilful obstruction?

Mr. Armstrong:—The actual offence took place at five minutes to two, and the tram was not actually running. But the brakeman and the engine driver were standing by until three o'clock in case of any emergency call. The defendant has expressed his regret. The Company wish to register a conviction—they do not wish to press the charge unduly, although it might have had serious consequences. Fortunately it did not.

Mr. Lindsell:—Was it in fact obstruction against the Company?

Mr. Armstrong:—There was, in fact, actual obstruction. The engine-driver was forced to leave the engine room for assistance in order to get defendant out of the engine room.

His Worship:—Is that obstruction?

Mr. Armstrong:—It is obstruction inasmuch as defendant was there in the engine room and he may have obstructed the engine room and he may have obstructed the engine man and the brakeman from moving about.

Mr. Hugh Jones:—The obstruction is purely technical.

Mr. Lindsell:—Actually, they had a duty, to stand by in case of any call.

Mr. Armstrong:—There was only one man in the engine room, there were a brakeman and conductor who were actually outside the engine room. In order to obtain assistance to get the defendant out of the engine room, the engine man had to leave the engine room, which he had no right to do in case the extra tram had to leave. The point is, nobody should be allowed to obstruct, and the defendant was trespassing by going into the engine room.

Mr. Lindsell:—Quite true, but that is in Charge 3. It looks as if there is no evidence of obstruction. Mr. Armstrong:—There is some evidence that the defendant was chasing the engine driver out of the engine room.

His Worship said that evidence would make the case different. He proposed to impose a fine of \$10 on the first charge of wilful obstruction, and \$5 on the third charge, of trespassing.

The second count of interfering with the machinery was withdrawn as stated.

SENT TO HOUSE OF DETENTION.

EUROPEAN AND INDIAN COMMITTED.

A British subject, named R. G. Baker, was charged before Major C. Willson this morning with absconding himself from the House of Detention.

Principal Warder Robertson said that Baker was some time ago sentenced to one month's hard labour for a similar offence, and on the expiry of this term, on November 26th last, automatically went back to the House of Detention. He was allowed to go out, like other detainees, between noon and 4 p.m. every day, but failed to return, and that was the last witness had seen of him until his appearance in the Court this morning.

Defendant was again sentenced to one month's hard labour by Major Willson.

Jetha Singh, a police recruit who was discharged from the Force, owing to his incapacity to receive police training, was also charged before Major Willson, with being a destitute, on giving himself up to the police yesterday. Defendant was committed to the House of Detention.

The final meeting of the Entertainment Committee of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. will be held to-morrow. It is understood that owing to the movements of troops and the consequent rearrangement of the work of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., it has been decided to discontinue the activities of the Entertainment Committee.

TOUR OF KING OF
AFGHANISTAN.WIDESPREAD STIR IN
INDIA.

AN APPEAL FOR PEACE.

Karachi, Dec. 12. The King of Afghanistan's presence in India is creating widespread stir, and a sensation in political circles has been caused by His Majesty's vigorous exhortation to Moslems and Hindus to settle their differences.



Dense crowds lined the route of the procession and enthusiastically greeted the King, who attended a garden party. Nine hundred Sind residents cheered his appeal to cease communal differences. The King warmly thanked all communities in India for their hearty and affectionate welcome, and denounced the "ignorant Mullahs" who divided the people. He said they were comparable to an Indian fakir going to Afghanistan and doing nothing but mislead and beguile the people and similar to an Afghan fakir who went to India to create disruption. "Such persons had adopted these means to fill their own bellies and were a disgrace to their Motherland."

Before leaving Quetta, the King cordially replied to a telegram from His Majesty King George, saying he was looking forward to his visit to London which he was sure would have the happiest results for the future of Anglo-Afghan relations.—*Reuter*.

The Departure.

London, Dec. 12. There were picturesque scenes on the departure of the King of Afghanistan on his European tour. His Majesty picked out a mink or ordinary soldier and a cultivator from the crowd at Spinnaker Fort and kissed them saying, respectively, "this is my farewell to the tribal leaders," "this is my farewell to the army," and "this is my farewell to the peasants."

Hundreds of his subjects ran three miles to Chaman alongside His Majesty's red Rolls Royce car, in which, amid the firing of a royal salute, he crossed the frontier of Baluchistan.

His Majesty, dressed in a khaki uniform and accompanied by three staff officers was escorted by Bengal cavalry and an air force squadron to the railway station. Along the three mile route were lined the saluting troops.

The Queen motored separately with her ladies-in-waiting all veiled.

The royal travellers were officially received at the station with military and musical honours. Messages of welcome were read from King George and the Viceroy. Their Majesties escorted by aeroplanes then entrained for Quetta.

Before leaving Kabul the King sent a message to his people *inter alia* advising the officials "to take care that nobody perpetrates tyranny in my absence."

TRAFFIC CASES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The chauffeur of car No. 192 was summoned by Inspector Alexander, of the Traffic Department, before Major C. Willson on a charge of reckless driving on Sunday, December 11th.

In answer to the Magistrate, the Inspector said the defendant was driving at a terrific speed. He (the Inspector) observed that the car narrowly missed a coolie, who jumped out of the way in time. The defendant's record showed that he had been previously summoned and convicted for reckless driving.

A fine of \$25 was imposed by the Magistrate, who warned the defendant to be more careful in future.

Cases arising from other motor offences during the week were heard before Major C. Willson, amongst which was a charge for speeding against the driver of the Aberdeen bus No. 304. Police evidence showed that the man was driving at 25 miles an hour. A fine of \$20 was imposed.

The owner of motor cycle No. 705 was charged with running his machine without an effective silencer on the exhaust. He was also charged with passing a motor lorry on the wrong side of the road. Pleading guilty, defendant was fined \$8.

Another motor-cyclist was fined \$5 for proceeding down Ice House Street, which is only open to one-way traffic.

PUBLIC MONEY.

A NUMBER OF SMALL
VOTES.

NEW MOTOR LAUNCH.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council which is to be held on Thursday afternoon, the Finance Committee will consider the following votes of public money:—

Fire Brigade.

The sum of \$700 is asked for on account of light and electric fans for the Fire Brigade. The amount originally provided was \$5,000, and with regard to the sum now requested it is explained that "it is estimated that a further sum of \$700 will be required to meet expenditure to end of this year. The excess on this vote is due to cost of current consumed on three additional floors in the Fire Brigade building having to be met from the Fire Brigade Vote during the first 7 months of this year. The average actual Fire Brigade lighting costs \$400 per month. The above is to be met from savings."

Small Sum.

The sum of \$100 is asked for on account of electric fans and lights for public rooms in Government House. The sum originally provided was \$2,400 and it is explained that this sum has proved insufficient. The extra cost is being met out of savings.

Sewer Maintenance.

The Public Works Department asks for \$2,000 on account of the maintenance of sewers and nullahs to supplement the \$29,000 voted in the Budget. It is explained that "the provision made is found insufficient to meet the cost of maintaining the sewers and nullahs during the current year. The above is to be met from savings."

Wongneichong Nullah.

For the cost of reconstructing the Wongneichong Nullah, through Happy Valley, the sum of \$20,000 was originally voted, and the P.W.D. now requests an additional \$367. "The provision made in the Estimates is found to be insufficient, and the amount now requested is for the completion of this work. The above is to be met from savings."

Police Motor Cars.

In asking for \$1,200 extra, over and above the \$4,000 originally provided for petrol, oil, etc., for police motor cars and cycles, it is stated by the Police that "the average monthly expenditure is \$120, and it is estimated that a further \$1,200 will be required. The excess on this vote is due to the increase in the numbers of the Police Flying Squad which now amount to 35. The above is to be met from savings."

Governor's A.D.C.

An additional \$344 as personal emoluments of the Aide-de-Camp of H. E. the Governor, is requested, the explanation being:—"Captain Seede, late Aide-de-Camp to H. E. the Governor previous to relinquishing his appointment was granted leave of absence on full pay from 23rd July to 30th September, 1927. No funds therefore are available for the payment of acting (half) pay to Captain Whyte, who has now permanently taken over the duties, and who is therefore entitled to this half pay under G. O. 92. The sum provided for the A.D.C. is \$3,600 and a supplementary vote of \$344 is accordingly requested, this being half from 23rd July to 30th September, 1927."

Nursing Staff Expenses.

The Medical Department asks for \$300 on account of incidental expenses, it being stated that "the many changes in the Nursing Staff this year involve heavy expenditure. The selection of candidates from England results in payment of expenses for medical examination fees for selection etc. It is estimated that an additional \$300 will be required to cover payment for such expenses for the current year. The above is to be met from savings under Bedding and Clothing."

Motor Boat.

The sum of \$5,250 is asked for by the Imports and Exports Office, as special expenditure to defray the cost of purchasing and altering a motor boat. It is stated that the sum of \$7,000 has been approved in 1928 Estimates for the purchase of a motor-boat for the Imports and Exports Department. A favourable opportunity has occurred of purchasing at once a very suitable boat by private treaty at the cost of \$4,750. An additional sum estimated at \$500 is required for making certain alterations.

Two Items.

In explanation of a request for \$50 to defray incidental expenses in the Land Registry it is stated that the extra expenditure is consequent upon the transfer to that

SERIOUS TRUCK
ACCIDENT.TWENTY INJURED NEAR
MANILA.

VEHICLE CAPSIZES.

Twenty persons, including men, women and children, were injured, some seriously, in a truck accident on the Antipolo-Taytay road at about 8.30 o'clock last night, says the Manila Bulletin of Friday last. Some of the victims were taken to the Philippine General Hospital by Representative Alfonso Mendoza in his private car, and in a garage car hired by him, while the less serious were left in Pasing.

The injured received in the hospital were Macario Francisco, 34; Arturo Calopas, 27; Pilar Bitoeng, 14; Dominador Pangyarihan, 7; Manuela Gonzalez, 57; Eusebio Pangyarihan, 28; Marcelino Gonzalez, 35; Tipolita Hilabo, 70; Bernardina Bitoeng, 26; Estanislao Calopas, 40; Consolacion Sevilla, 18, and her sister, Restita Sevilla, 17. Some of these later sent to their home.

Brakes Fail.

The accident occurred in the zig-zag portion of the Antipolo-Taytay road as a result of the failure of the brakes of the truck to function. The truck was Manila bound, the passengers having attended the patron saint day in Antipolo. For some unknown reason, while the truck was on the zig-zag road, the brake failed to work and it inclined to the left side of the road, gradually turning upside down. Some of the passengers were thrown out of the truck, while the others were pinned underneath.

Estanislao Calopas, a passenger who was slightly injured, proceeded at once to Pasing and reported the accident to the local authorities. Coincidentally some cars were passing and some of the victims were picked up and brought to Pasing. Representative Mendoza who was attending the fiesta in Pasing, saw the injured persons in the municipality and brought them to Manila in a garage car. He sent his car to Taytay to pick up the other victims.

The Injuries.

The 70 year old passenger, Hipolito Hilabo, broke two of her teeth and sustained fractures in both legs and hands. Several are suffering from wounds on their heads and contusions in various parts of the body. The rest of the victims were either suffering from broken arms and legs or bruises on the face and chests. Their condition was pronounced not serious by the attending physician.

The machine is a stone truck specially for the passengers for the Antipolo trip. It is owned by Valentin Aquino of Balintawak, above. Practically all the passengers were residents of Balintawak.

Unconfirmed report received in Manila early next morning was to the effect that the driver of the truck was detained by the Taytay police in connexion with the accident.

COURT OF ENQUIRY.

ANJOU—WING HUNG
COLLISION.

A Marine Court of Enquiry will sit at the Harbour Office at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, to enquire into the circumstances of the collision between s.s. Anjou and s.s. Wing Hung in the West River last week. The composition of the Court is as follows:—Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., Harbour Master (President); Lieut. Commander Faulkner, H.M.S. Argus; Lieut. Commander T. Pritchard, R.N.R., master of s.s. Talshan; Capt. R. Dadds, master of s.s. Achilles, and Captain C. A. Mutton, master of s.s. Wing On.

Lady Clementi will distribute the prizes at the Peak School on Tuesday, December 20.

department of the Registry of Marriage.

The sum of \$180 is asked for by the Sanitary Department on account of transport, in addition to the \$1,700 provided originally. It is explained that "there has been more call upon this vote than was anticipated owing to Travelling Expenses for gangs employed in special anti-malaria measures in outlying areas. Up to the end of November 1927 the amount actually spent under this sub-head was \$1,896.04 and it is estimated that the sum of \$180 now asked for will suffice for the current year. The above is to be met from savings under Dust and Water Carts."

JAPAN RIOTS.

TENANT FARMERS
ANGRY.

20 RESIDENCES BURNED.

Serious riots broke out recently in Gifu prefecture, near Osaka, when thousands of tenant-farmers made a concerted attack on the homes of several landlords and set fire to many of them. The immediate cause of the trouble (says the N. C. Daily News Tokyo correspondent) arose from the refusal of the tenant-farmers to pay their rents, in kind or otherwise, unless such were materially reduced by the landlords. The latter, declaring that it was impossible for any reduction to be made on the ground that whatever rents the landlords were receiving barely sufficed to enable the latter to live decently, sought legal redress and had the rice crops grown by the farmers attached. Infuriated by this action, the peasants union of the locality affected called its members out in a body and indulged in an orgy of incendiarism, hooliganism and rioting.

Incendiaries Defiant of Police.

The local policemen and firemen, hurried to the affected region, but so threatening was the deportment of the farmers and so superior were they in numbers that the guardians of the law and the fire-fighters were unable to do anything. At the entrance and exit of every house that had been marked down for destruction, the leaders of the mob placed a number of hefty young men who, as soon as the servants or inmates of the houses appeared with any goods, seized the property and threw it into the flames.

From early in the afternoon till the small hours of the next morning the incendiaries held sway and it is estimated that some 20 houses, with their contents, were completely destroyed. A large contingent of armed police arrived early in the morning, but by that time the mob had disappeared. About 30 persons have been since arrested, but there is considerable difficulty being experienced in finding out the actual ring-leaders or the exact persons responsible for the orgy of incendiarism.

Although the situation is well in hand and the police are patrolling the affected region and the vicinity, the authorities are still apprehensive of fresh outbreaks. Police action is handicapped owing to the political angle which these disturbances involve and leaders of the Japan Peasants Party who left Tokyo for Gifu immediately on hearing of the outbreak stoutly maintain that the fault for the deplorable occurrence should be laid at the doors of the landlords, contending that extreme high-handed action on the part of the owners of the soil, who, they allege, acted without any sympathy for the poverty of the peasants, drove the latter to despair and brought about the regrettable disturbances. Tenant-farmer riots have occurred frequently in the past, and the relations between tenant-farmers and landlords has been a painful thorn in the side of the authorities for a number of years.

Tendency Towards Extreme Measures.

Such riots have not been confined to the Gifu province alone, but in this region the people have been known for their tendency to resort to extreme measures from feudal times. In 1917, the annual number of such disputes was 85. Last year, these reached 2,600, and this year, according to statistics issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the number is expected to go way beyond the 3,000 mark.

One of the potent causes for the smouldering bitterness that is felt by tenant farmers towards their landlords is the ultra-conservatism which characterizes the latter. In former years, the relations between tenant and landlord-owner in Japan was that of servant and master. But, of late, the mental attitude of the tenant farmer has been undergoing great changes as a result of the vast wave of modern ideas which has swept into every nook and cranny of these islands during and since the Great War. When a demand for reduction of land rent is made, the landowner resents the attitude taken by the tenant, not so much because of the demand as because he still persists in the old belief that the tenant-farmer is but a servant. The tenant pushes, or tries to push, his case through by every possible means in his power, seeking the sympathy of the community, of the press and even of politicians representing farming communities, because to him, a reduction of rent is a matter of life and death. This is what the landlord resents most, and the farmer's request is, in most cases, peremptorily turned down. If rent payment is not forthcoming on the due day, the landlord simply seizes the crop whether it is sprouting or whether it is still in the seed.

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PRAYER BOOK
REVISION.

CROWDED HOUSE OF LORDS.

London, Dec. 12. The House of Lords presented its most lively appearance since the war when the Archbishop of Canterbury moved a resolution in favour of accepting the new Prayer Book measure. There was an extraordinarily large attendance, Bishops, Peers and members of the Cabinet, including Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and Members of the House of Commons and others filled the privileged accommodation.

The debate will last until Wednesday and if the resolution is carried a similar motion will be submitted to the House of Commons on Thursday, after which the measure will be presented for the Royal Assent.—*Reuter*.

An Earlier Message.

London, Dec. 12. In the House of Lords, this afternoon the Archbishop of Canterbury will initiate the debate on the motion that royal assent be given to the measure approving the revised Book of Common Prayer for the Church of England. The movement for the revision began long before the war and during the past few years the proposal that the revised version, the use of which if approved by Parliament will be optional, has been subject of much controversy.

The new book represents a compromise between conflicting views and although opposition is forthcoming from both evangelical and high church clergy, the book has been accepted with large majorities by the church Assembly, which is representative of both clergy and laymen.

Parliament must approve before the measure authorising the use of the new book receiving royal assent. It may reject but it cannot amend the book. The House of Lords has set aside three days for discussion and a division will be taken on Wednesday. The presence of the bishops in the upper house gives special importance to the debate in that chamber. With a few exceptions the bishops favour the revision, but the lay and clerical opponents of the measure include many persons prominent in public life and some members of the Government in both houses of Parliament. It is generally believed that if the House of Lords approve the measure, it will secure a necessary majority in the House of Commons when, on Thursday, it is to be debated. If the House of Lords reject the measure it will automatically be dropped.—*British Wireless*.

GERMANY'S NAVY.

THE FIGURES FOR 1928.

Berlin, Dec. 12. The estimates for 1928 have been published and show a provision of 167,500,000 marks for the Navy, including over 9,000,000 marks as the first instalment on a new battleship which is to cost 80,000,000 marks.—*Reuter*.

NOT A SPY.

SWEDISH OFFICER RELEASED.

Stockholm, Dec. 12. The young Swedish officer who was arrested and charged with spying on behalf of Soviet Russia has been released, the police being of opinion that an examination does not justify further legal proceedings.—*Reuter*.

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The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

1. What is (a) a culverin, (b) a culvert, (c) a cul-de-sac?
2. When is the wheat crop harvested in India?
3. Why is it dangerous to run a motor-car engine in a closed garage?
4. Who "wasted his substance with riotous living"?
5. Which is correct, "oblivious to" or "oblivious of"?
6. Where in England is the Limestone Ridge?
7. Give the origin of the saying "Sour grapes"?
8. How does Gray's Elegy begin?
9. Is a chequer dated on a Sunday collectable?
10. What is a lumberer?
11. At what temperature Fahrenheit does water normally (a) freeze, (b) boil?
12. Name the kings of England who belonged to the Norman dynasty.

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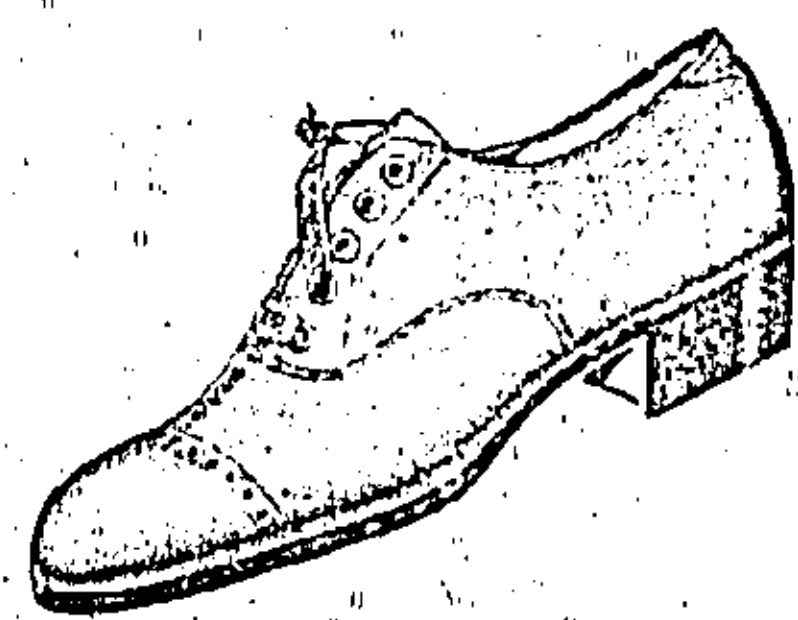
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Upwards of 400 collection cards were distributed among the offices in the Central District of Hongkong and to a few of the large firms in the outlying districts. Upwards of 1,000 firms and individuals subscribed to the funds and the sum of \$5,959.17 has so far been received. The naval and military Forces also gave valued support.

Last week, cards with subscriptions to the value of over \$200 were received and it is hoped that any persons who still have cards in their possession will send them to the Honorary Treasurer as soon as possible.

It had been intended to publish in the press complete lists of the firms and individual subscribers, but many subscribers stated that they particularly did not wish this to be done. Receipts are now in course of preparation and will be sent to subscribers during the present week.

It has come to the knowledge of the Committee that a number of persons who were not engaged in the area that was covered by the drive have complained that they have not been asked for subscriptions. If such people will be so kind as to send their subscriptions to the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. H. V. Parker, c/o the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, they will be gratefully received.

The Committee desire to thank the Press for their support in the recent effort made on behalf of the Society.

The Committee have carefully studied the correspondence that has from time to time appeared in the Press containing valuable suggestions for the conduct of the S.P.C.A. The Committee trust that in future the work of the Society will be better known to the general public.



F. A. CUP DRAW.

TIES FOR THE THIRD
ROUND.

ALL LEAGUE CLUBS IN.

London, Dec. 12.
The draw for the Third Round of the Association Cup, the matches in which are to be played on January 14th, has resulted as follows:—

Middlesbrough v. South Shields.
Rotherham v. Exeter.
London Caledonians v. Crewe.
Hull v. Leicester.
Liverpool v. Darlington.
Huddersfield v. Lincoln.
Southport v. Exeter.
Notts Forest v. Tranmere.
Blackpool v. Oldham.
Manchester U. v. Brentford.
Stoke v. Gillingham.
Cardiff v. Southampton.
Arsenal v. West Bromwich.
Charlton v. Kettering v. Bury.
Wrexham v. Swansea.
Wednesday v. Bournemouth.
Bristol City v. Tottenham.
Preston N.E. v. Everton.
Port Vale v. Barnsley.
Millwall v. Derby.
Notts County v. Sheffield U.
Bolton W. v. Luton.
Birmingham v. Peterborough.
New Brighton v. Corinthians.
Sunderland v. Northampton.
Manchester City v. Leeds.
Blackburn v. Newcastle.
Swindon or Crystal Palace v. Orient.
Preston N.E. v. West Ham.
Reading v. Grimsby.
Burley v. Aston Villa.
Wolverhampton v. Chelsea.

—Router.

First Division Favored.

The glamour of the Cup affects the whole country for the first time with the publication of the draw for the Third Round (Competition Proper) as above, the First and Second Division clubs, together with Millwall, Brentford and the Corinthians, entering the struggle for the first time.

The luck of the draw has for once in a while favoured the First Division, no fewer than thirteen Senior clubs having been drawn at home, while only four of these involve clashes with fellow-teams.

The rare incidence of renewed "League" encounters is indeed a feature of the draw. Five Second Division teams are at home to Second Division clubs, but twenty-three of the matches are inter-league. The five First Division clubs drawn away meet Second Division clubs in four cases.

The Second Division has broken even, with eleven home matches and eleven away, but the Third Division (South) has six of nine certain draws away, while there is a possible fourth home match.

London's share of the matches is doubtful, but of the leading clubs only the Arsenal has had the fortune of a home game. Chelsea visit those old Cup-fighters, the Wolves, Tottenham go to Bristol against the City, and West Ham are destined for Fratton Park, Portsmouth.

The Arsenal have drawn West Bromwich Albion which should provide one of the most interesting encounters of the day. London Caledonians, the only amateur club to go through all previous rounds, has been drawn at home to Crewe Alexandra, the Third Division (North) team.

Last year's winners, Cardiff City, meet semi-finalists of last year, Southampton, at Cardiff and should have little difficulty in passing into the Fourth Round.

One of the matches attracting most attention will be that between Blackburn Rovers and Newcastle United, while Aston Villa's fate at Burnley will be the cause of much speculation.

Millwall will renew acquaintance with Derby County. In the Fourth Round last year, Millwall defeated Derby at Derby by 2-0. The third round this year brings them together at the Den.

Only three clubs, with a possible fourth, outside the big leagues, remain in the competition, but the draw is such as to suggest the elimination of all except perhaps the Caledonians.

TENNIS RULING.

WRITERS TO LOSE AMATEUR STATUS.

London, Dec. 12.
The Lawn Tennis Association, at its annual meeting in London, has passed a resolution prohibiting players from writing for money, who henceforward will lose their amateur status. —Router.

INTERPORT SOCCER TRIAL.

POSSIBLES TO MEET R.A.F.

THE COLONY'S TEAM.

[By "Wanderer".]

The Royal Air Force will provide the opposition to-morrow when the Interport Trial Team will engage in a further match designed to assist the selectors in the final selection. The match is to be played on the Club ground, and the Interport Trial team will be that which turned out a fortnight ago with the exception that Howard will come in at left back.

Mr. Hyson will have charge of the match which is scheduled to commence at 4.15 p.m. sharp.

The acceptance by Hongkong of a ruling that the number of Service players included be limited to three is providing the local selectors with the most difficult feature of their task, but although the names of the members of the selection committee are supposed to be secret, the Association preserving silence in this respect, it may be taken for granted that the team to go to Shanghai in January has been decided already, with the exception of the left back and outside right positions.

It is fairly certain that the following players will form part of the team:

Clarke (Police), goalkeeper.
Wynne (Police), right back.
C. F. Remedios (Recrolo), right half.
Sims (Kowloon), centre-half.
Lam Yuk-ying (Chinese Ath.), left half.
Gosane (Recrolo), inside-right.
Vernon (R.A.F.), centre-forward.
Suen Kam-shun (Chinese Ath.), inside-left.
Roy, Alexander (K.O.S.B.), outside-left.

It will be observed, presuming my forecast to be correct, that the three Service players are already selected, and I think it may also be taken for granted that Tso Kwai-sing, in the absence of any other player up to standard, who is at the same time available, will be asked to accompany the team as right winger.

At back Hongkong will have Wynne, I imagine, though for the past few weeks he has been below par in league matches, and a player yet to be chosen. Howard will turn out to-morrow, but though he is a good utility player, it would be another thing to suggest that he would be the right man in the right place at left back.

The best left back in the Colony at the moment is Sergt. Hooper, of the Queen's Regiment, but if he is included it means that either Vernon or the Rev. Alexander will have to stand down to make room.

The choice appears to lie between Lai Yuk-tat, Xavier, Bishop and Howard, and of the four, the Chinese player is most worthy of consideration. Ng Kam-chuen and Lai Yuk-tat, together, are undoubtedly the best pair in the Colony, and if the latter can develop an understanding with Wynne equal to his understanding with Ng, the selectors need have little fear of being let down in this department.

FILIPINO BOXERS.

TWO FIGHTS IN AMERICA.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.
Pablo Dano, the Filipino fly-weight, defeated George Marks, Los Angeles boxer, in a ten-round feature event here to-night.

The fight was fairly sensational from the start with Dano winning enough points in the latter rounds, to give him victory. Marks showed frequent flashes of good form in the opening cantos but Dano out boxed and out-slugged him, beating him down as the rounds progressed.

According to the judgment of the ringsiders, Dano won every session. Marks weighed in at 113 pounds while Dano tipped the beams two pounds under that figure.

Oakland, Dec. 7.
Dynamite Murphy, feather-weight, stopped Harry Falagano, of Manila, in the fifth round of a scheduled six round preliminary here to-night. Falagano injured his hand in the third round and fought from that time on virtually one-handed.

CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Looker On".]

There was some interesting cricket on Saturday. Craigengower scored a very creditable win against the Civil Service and the Chinese R. C. drew with the Royal Navy in the First Division of the League and, in the Second Division, the Civil Service 2nd XI defeated the Royal Engineers.

Craigengower's win was distinctly a surprise. I am told they were somewhat slow in compiling their 155 runs for eight wickets. The Civil Service made a very bad start in their innings, de Rome being run out off the second ball and Strang being dismissed very shortly afterwards. After this except for A. E. Wood, who scored 22 out of their 37 runs, their innings appears to have been a procession. I heard that Sayer was unlucky to be out to quite a good shot. The bowling analyses of Hamson and Oliver are distinctly good and they are to be congratulated.

I am glad to see the Revd. Venn making runs this year. He should be a most useful member of the United Services Side. Lieut-Commander Thomson too seems to be finding his form. He is undoubtedly a good bowler.

In the friendly match between the Hongkong C.C. and the Kowloon C.C., the main feature was a welcome return to form of Captain Morris, who compiled a very useful 71 not out for Kowloon against some of the best bowling at present in the Colony.

The match resulted in a draw. This was inevitable considering that both teams were as strong as they were. It is a pity it could not have been a whole day game. It was good to see Hancock back again looking so fit and well. He seems to have enjoyed his leave and played a fair amount of cricket while he was at home.

I was interested to read the extracts from remarks in one of the Singapore papers regarding the doings of the Malaysia Interport contest here. There seems to be a considerable amount of ill-feeling amongst a certain section of the cricketing community there over the composition of the team sent here to represent them.

It really is a great pity that this sort of thing cannot be avoided. I think that if a little more tact could be displayed by those responsible for choosing these teams there would be less "grousing."

I see that the question of next year's captain for Yorkshire still remains unsettled. Sutcliffe has definitely refused to take it on although it was originally announced that he would accept it and a Captain "Some-body-or-other" (of whom I have never heard) has been offered it. He may be a very good player, but I question the advisability of including an amateur in the side merely as captain unless he is really worth his place in it. I wonder why there is such a scarcity of good amateurs in Yorkshire? It seems, in fact, that the further North we go the fewer amateurs do we find playing first-class cricket at home. Perhaps some one could explain the reason for this? It will be most interesting to see if the latest offer by the Yorkshire Committee will be accepted. Of course, there must be good reasons for it but it seems strange why they did not offer the captaincy to Rhodes in the first instance. He is a much older man than Sutcliffe. Of course, he is not a bowler and Sutcliffe is not. However, there must be a great deal more than meets the eye in the situation.

To-morrow (Wednesday) the Army play the Navy at the Hongkong C. C. ground, commencing at 10 a.m. It should be quite a good game to watch.

M.C.C. TOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

HOLMES MAKES A BIG SCORE.

Pretoria, Dec. 12.
The match between the M.C.C. and the Transvaal was left drawn. The M.C.C. in their first innings made 205, the damage with the ball being done by Vincent, who took six wickets for 59 runs. In their second innings, however, the visitors made 328 runs for the loss of only three wickets, Holmes making 184 (not out).

Transvaal made 382 for the loss of seven wickets (declared). The match was drawn. —Router.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG-CANTON MATCH.

The following will represent the Hongkong University against the Ling Nam University, Canton, on Thursday, at 3 p.m. on the H.K. University ground:—G. G. Edwards; G. S. Scully, E. L. Harri-son; Y. K. Ng, S. P. Loh, H. T. Bap; A. P. Cuttles and P. C. Lim. Reserves:—L. Oppenheim, H. Braga and E. K. Lim.

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Matches to be played on December 17th:—

DIVISION I.

Bolton W. v. Aston Villa.
Manchester U. v. Arsenal.
Wednesday v. Sunderland.

DIVISION II.

Blackpool v. Barnsley.
Oldham v. Preston N.E.

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

Brentford v. Charlton.
Bournemouth v. Watford.

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

Barrow v. Wigan.
Chesterfield v. New Brighton.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen v. Motherwell.
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Wednesday	v.	Sunderland
Blackpool	v.	Barnsley
Oldham	v.	Preston N.E.
Brentford	v.	Charlton
Bournemouth	v.	Watford
Barrow	v.	Wigan
Chesterfield	v.	New Brighton
Aberdeen	v.	Motherwell
Dunfermline	v.	Hibernians
Hearts	v.	Cowdenbeath

KOWLOON GOLF.

THE DRAW FOR THE HONG FOURSOMES.

The first round of the Hong Foursomes of the Kowloon Golf Club will be played on Sunday next, December 18. The following is the result of the draw:

First Round.
Johnstone and Dewhurst (A. S. Watson and Co.) v. McKnight and Cowherd (Mustard and Co.).

Byes.
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Continuing, witness said that he spoke to him and told him that Kentwell was in town and asked if he had met him. Witness indicated that he would like to see Kentwell, and he then undertook to arrange for meeting between them.

Re Leank: At this meeting, said Haynes beckoned to witness, saying, "do you still see some one over?"

Q—Yes. He asked me for a pass, and marked it down in a pocket book. Haynes came and saw me, two or three days afterwards at No. 5 Victoria street.

By question about arms at this time? He wanted to know if I was doing and I told him I was interested with the Chinese government in arms.

Q—Fact you produced a receipt for some money? I produced a receipt for \$100,000 deposited in the bank.

Q—Did you conceal anything? He was nothing to conceal.

The Chinese police, reserving the right to be suspicious, posing as a merchant, was first introduced to witness on November 11, and a man named Karim Din acted as interpreter during the first interview. Haynes came with the Chinese and said that he did not speak much English, therefore Karim Din was brought in as an interpreter so that the conversation could be carried on in Chinese. Christie said that the whole of the conversation on November 11 was between Karim Din and the Chinese.

Mr. Leask: Did you discuss drugs with him?—Never mentioned drugs.

Cross-Examination.
Mr. King (cross-examination): You said you first met Haynes in Shanghai in 1925?—1926.
You met him through Knight?—Yes.
When did you know that he called "Leslie the Liar"?—When I was introduced to him.
Did you regard it as a joke serious?—As a joke.
If you had believed it, you would not have entered into negotiations with him; here?—I did not enter into negotiations with him.
Mr. King then handed witness a letter written by witness to King

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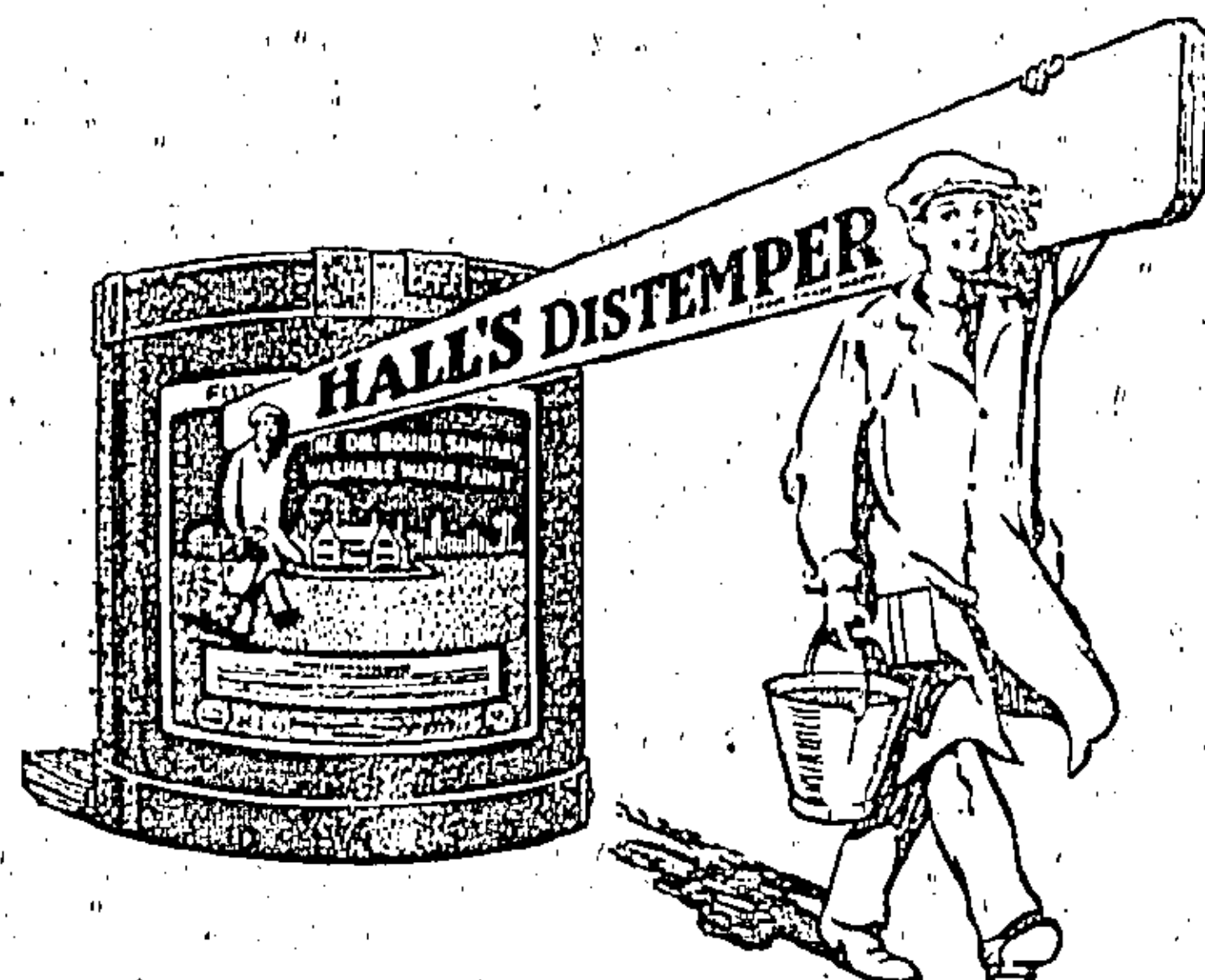
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COMEDIANS AND OTHERS.

Hollywood: Random Notes from an Afternoon Stroll Along the Boulevard: Saw Trixie Friganza, who is here to play a part in "Gentlemen Prefer Blonds". Also Cissie Fitzgerald, famous for her wicked wink and said to be the first woman in the United States to wear a wrist watch. Distinction? No end!... Saw Raymond Hatton, clean-faced as usual. He and Wallace Beery use no makeup. Hatton, in his early days, had a part which required a beard and the thing caught fire. Since then he's been shy on facial shrubbery... Picked up Esther Ralston dining in the Motamarre. She ought to know grammar, having attended no less than 168 schools over the United States while touring with the family vaudeville act. In some schools she stayed two or three days. Well, well, Clara Bow with another dog. She has purchased no less than eight dogs and one cat in the last six months. If you have a dog, bring it out here and show it to Clara. There goes Bebe Daniels. She walked home the other night—from work. In the filming of a new picture she rides a horse, and was riding it home when Pegasus whined nervously. A few bucks and Bebe got off unconventionally. It's a tough break, having to walk in this multi-motored community.

To be healthy be tattooed. That is the advice of Lee Parker, who plays the tattooed man in the side show for the new W. C. Fields-Chester Conklin picture. Parker says tattooed men rarely catch contagious diseases and never have skin eruptions such as itch and boils. Parker is a beauty expert, too. He has tattooed eyebrows on women and tattooed girls' lips red, saving the rouge.

Talk about birthplaces! James Quinn, a specialist in underworld roles, was born in the dressing room of the Grand Opera House in New Orleans.

Some of the boys back from Bishop, Calif., in the Sierras, where the picture "Jesse James," was on location, tell of a progressive advertising stunt in that remote community. The garage in Bishop has a big glass tank outside its front door, and in the tank are twenty trout. Two of them are big enough to attack a whale, members of the company say. Few fishermen pass that way without asking, "How come?"

The flapper, cause of much comment during the last few years, is gone, according to Mary Astor.

"Of course the modern girl is far different from her mother," says the actress. "But she is also different than the flapper who put in an appearance shortly after the war. Young girls now are taking freedom as a matter of course instead of celebrating the breaking of restraint bonds as the girl of yesterday did. Like any revolution the change in customs for girls was marked by excesses. To-day those excesses have vanished. The girls are merely enjoying a normal freedom."

Not Naturally Funny.

Screen comedians as a class are famous for the fact that they aren't naturally funny.

Of course, there are a few exceptions. Charlie Chaplin is moody—sometimes very funny and other times equally as serious. Wally Beery can't do anything but "clown."

Out on the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer lot, however, is a comedy team which includes both types of men. Karl Dane, the biggest portion of the team, can't see the humor in anything. George K. Arthur, his much smaller running mate, laughs at anything. Such a combination seems to be perfect for film purposes because their recent picture, "Rookies," is one of the best comedies of the year.

The mental differences of the pair aren't their only discriminative marks. They are equally as different in physical make-up. Dane is tall, homely and very athletic. Arthur is short, good looking and would do almost anything to avoid exercise.

To get back to their comedy ideas, George is a great practical

WOMAN A.R.A. CREATES INTEREST.

ELECTION OF MRS. LAWRA
KNIGHT.

THE FIRST SINCE 1769.

Widespread interest will be aroused by the announcement that Mrs. Laura Knight has been elected an Associate of the Royal Academy, says a London paper.

Although Angelica Kauffman and Mrs. Moser were original members of the Royal Academy in 1769, there have been no women members or associates since those days.

Mrs. Knight is one of the most vital and interesting of contemporary English artists. All her work is robust and forceful, and essentially modern; she succeeds, as few painters of to-day succeed, in expressing what she sees with a directness and energy which compel the spectator to be interested.

Mr. P. G. Konody, the Daily Mail Art Critic, in a recent criticism of one of Mrs. Knight's exhibitions, said:

It is the zest with which she enters into the spirit of the scenes which stir her creative impulse, more even than the technical excellence of her work, that captivates the spectator, because she makes him see through her own eyes and share her sympathetic interest in the pageant of life.

Her Pictures.

She has all the qualifications that would serve her for the interpretation of dramatic incident by means of line and tone. But, as it happens, she prefers to find her subjects in the theatre dressing-room, in the circus, on the ballet stage, among the holiday-makers on Hampstead Heath, in the street—wherever, there is life and movement and gaiety.

In order to paint "Carnaval," her picture of the Russian ballet at work, and now in the Manchester Art Gallery, Mrs. Knight spent many hours at the theatre during performances and rehearsals.

The result was a masterpiece of tingling energy and animation. But in a theatre or on the Cornish cliff her splendid vigour is equally at home.

Her etchings and aquatints show an almost Chinese knack of catching a simple gesture and translating it into poetry. In none of her work is there the slightest trace of feminine weakness or hesitation.

She married Mr. Harold Knight, the portrait painter, in 1903. She was Miss Laura Johnson, and at one time was a leading spirit in the art circles of Nottingham. She studied at the art school there and afterwards won several medals at South Kensington.

She first exhibited at the Royal Academy in 1903, and she is represented by her work in the British and Victoria and Albert Museums, in Manchester and Birmingham, as well as in galleries in South Africa and Australia.

Studio over Stables.

She was the first English woman to serve on the jury of the International Art Exhibition, a distinction which she enjoyed at Pittsburgh, United States, in 1922.

She lives in a little studio over some stables in St. John's Wood, N.W., but in summer she usually migrates to the little colony of artists which has established itself in recent years in Cornwall.

Mr. Francis Dodd, the painter, was also elected an A.R.A. at the meeting of the General Assembly of Academicians and Associates.

Mr. Francis Dodd, of 51, Blackheath-park, S.E., who is 52, was educated at the Haldane Academy, Glasgow (travelling scholarship), and his principal works include "Smiling Woman" and "Miss Daere" at the Tate Gallery.

joker and can turn almost any kind of a situation into a joke—which usually riles Karl. I saw a good example of the way things go while visiting their set a few days ago.

It seems that Arthur had just put some grasshoppers down Dane's back and the big fellow didn't like it very well. They were just getting well into their argument, which went along something like this:

"Aren't you ever going to take a serious slant on life?" queried Dane. "If you aren't, I'm just going to break you in two one of these days and get another partner."

"Aw, for the love of Mike, lay off, will you?" returned Arthur. "If it wasn't for me you never would be pepped up enough to even act funny."

"Oh, is that so," said the big fellow. "Well, now, let me tell you a few things about comedy—shut up and listen, will you! Everything that is funny is funny as a result of some law. To learn this law a man must examine a

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funny thing seriously. The way to analyze humour is to find out its component parts and you can't do that when you spend all of your time laughing. Look at me. I regard fun seriously and you notice how I create laughs.

"Why, you don't even know what humour is," replied Arthur. "I always figure that if a thing makes me laugh it makes someone else laugh, too. You didn't notice any tears running loose when I dropped those grasshoppers down your back, did you? I guess I'm the comedian of this outfit."

"Maybe you're right sometimes—but it's a very unscientific way of creating laughs," was Dane's comeback.

"You two stop talking and some work," shouted the director. And the argument was at end. It might be a good idea for fans who have seen the work both to drop a line to the b and let them know which characteristics you think produce best comedian.

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CHAPTER XX.

There was no doubt about the Duchess's agitation.

All at once a telegraphic communication seemed to flash from the brain of the agitated woman into his own, a communication which his scientific propensities bade him disregard, but which, nevertheless, forced its way in upon his consciousness. The weird message told him that the Duchess was really frightened, not on the negro's account, but on her own—frightened, that is to say, not for him, but of him! She was suddenly taking in the possibility that the Nigerian might be capable of murder, and the further, more awful, possibility that she herself might be the object of his vengeance!

The uncanny brain wave passed away as quickly as it came, leaving the specialist ashamed of his own credulity. The Duchess herself seemed to recover her self-control in the same instant. Her features resumed their former expression of haughty indifference, and she lay back in her chair with her eyes half-closed, as though she felt it beneath her to take interest in the negro's fate.

Lady Rosa showed little more concern. It was evident that her interest in the ordeal had ceased with her lover's acquittal, if such it could be termed, and nothing more than womanly pity displayed itself in her gaze at the unfortunate black.

Falai's misery reached a close at last. He could be heard, hollering the chewed rice in great gulps, with his eyes tightly shut. Then with a gasp of relief he turned to his master, opening his cavernous mouth in proof that no grain remained unswallowed.

A slight titter went around the younger maidservants at this comical ending to a tragical episode. The Duke of Altringham instantly commanded silence.

There could be no doubt that his Grace was seriously disappointed, although, as an educated man, he had naturally not put too much faith in the superstition. His manner conveyed to Tarleton that the ceremony now possessed no further interest for him, although he was obliged to let it proceed in accordance with the undertaking to Falai.

The respectable Burrows submitted with a melancholy air to the ordeal, and emerged from it without emotion. But the strange mixture of tragedy and farce in the whole proceeding was brought out when it came to the turn of the apoplectic butler.

The worthy Gooke came forward, smiling confidently, to undergo the recognised test, but the share of rice was hardly in his mouth when he began to show symptoms of distress. To begin with, the poor man had lost most of his teeth through age and good living, and as they had never been replaced he had grown accustomed to eating only the softest food. The hard grains were beyond his power to bite, and when he tried to swallow them whole the result was a spasm of coughing and choking which would have brought about his prompt condemnation in any Nigerian native court. The tears rolled down his purple cheeks, and he cast beseeching looks at his master.

"I really can't manage it, your Grace," he mumbled, despairingly.

"That will do," The Duke of Altringham turned to Theobald with a wrathful frown, and spoke emphatically. "I can have no more of this nonsense, Captain Theobald. It is perfectly unreasonable to subject white people to these savage customs. And we have seen how they work. The only person against whom there is the least presumption of guilt is let off, and an old family retainer, whom no one in this room would suspect of hurting a fly, is apparently convicted. You must tell your man that I refuse to let this absurd trial go on."

The young officer bowed respectfully. "I am as sorry as you are, Duke. I quite see that it has been a mistake. I will do my best to explain matters to Falai."

He addressed some words to the negro, who rolled his eyes in apparent dismay, and jabbered volubly in response.

Meanwhile the Duke was consulting Tarleton. "I hope you approve of my decision, doctor. I could not possibly be a party to any more of this sort of thing."

Truly the specialist's feelings were divided. He would have given a good deal to witness the behaviour of the Duchess under the ordeal. On the other hand, firmly as he was persuaded of Lady Rosa's real innocence, he had experienced a certain dread on her account. Whether she actually knew, or only suspected, something as to which her lips were closed,

he thought it possible that her nerves might have given way had the test been applied to her.

On the whole, he was ready to accept the Duke's action with a good grace, and signified as much. "Everyone may go now," his Grace announced. "I am obliged to you all for being willing to comply with my wishes. Not a shadow of suspicion rests on any one of you."

Some of the servants began moving towards the door. Others formed themselves into a whispering group. To the Duke's astonishment the housekeeper, an old lady in a lace cap and mittens, stepped out with an embarrassed air.

"If your Grace pleases, may I say a word?"

"What is it, Mrs. Hempstead?" "I'm extremely sorry to trouble your Grace, but some of the servants don't like what is going on."

The Duke flared up. "Don't like what? I am amazed at you, Mrs. Hempstead."

The old lady clutched at her silk apron.

"I never dreamt it would come to this between us, your Grace. But the servants are frightened. They think—we all think—that a murder has been committed in the house. And we think the police ought to be sent for."

A thunderbolt falling through the ceiling could hardly have given a greater shock to his Grace of Altringham. He gazed at the old dame, who had had him on her knees as a child, and even that recollection hardly softened his anger.

"I did not expect this from you, Mrs. Hempstead. Do you suppose that I am not as much concerned in this matter as any of you, and even more? Here is Dr. Tarleton, the official adviser of the Home Office, and who therefore represents the police. Haven't you confidence in him?"

The old lady looked at the specialist wistfully. "I'm sure we should like to, your Grace. But we know that Dr. Tarleton has been in the house for two days; he was brought here early one morning, and there was an inquiry about a latchkey, so that we all knew that there was something wrong. And yet now, in spite of Dr. Tarleton's being about, a servant has been murdered. That's what frightens us."

Tarleton himself was amazed at the old lady's courage in speaking out so plainly. By this time all the other servants had gathered round her, with the exception of the negro, who had gone out of the room in earnest conversation with Captain Theobald. It was evident to whom the general suspicion pointed. The black's departure released all their tongues, and a general hubbub of accusation broke out.

"We oughtn't to have a savage in the house with us. He gets up at all hours. We can hear him prowling about in the night. The poisoned arrows ought to be destroyed."

The investigator seized the first opening to speak.

"I can promise you that the purges in Captain Theobald's room shall be removed from the house. I will take them away myself."

"And what about the negro?"

"I will take him as well, if he will come with me. I am not afraid of him."

A murmur of surprise, followed by the question, "Suppose he won't go with you, sir?"

"In that case I will have him arrested at once. I pledge my word that he shan't spend another night in Trafford House."

The excitement began to evaporate. More than one voice was heard to say, "Thank you, sir."

Tarleton added a few soothing words, and the servants gradually edged out of the room.

As soon as they had all gone the Duke cordially thanked his ally.

"I really don't know what I should have done but for you, doctor. I was on the point of dismissing the whole crowd of them. I should do it now if it weren't for the inconvenience to my wife."

The Duchess of Altringham rose languidly from the chair in which she had sat a passive spectator of the previous scene.

"You may dismiss them as far as I am concerned, Henry. I have had enough of all these horrors, and, in any case, I cannot stay in the same house with a corpse. I shall go to Paris by the night train, and get a new maid at once."

Her Grace swept a graceful bow to the specialist, and sailed out of the room without waiting for her husband's reply.

The Duke glanced apprehensively at his daughter, who was preparing to follow.

"What about you, Rosa? I can hardly leave here in the present circumstances; but your mother ought not to go abroad alone."

The Lady Rosa's lip curled. "I think she is perfectly well able to take care of herself, papa. If she

BEGGARS' MONEY.

MORE TO BE TAKEN FOR FINES.

In the Committee stage of the Magistrates Amendment Bill, which is to come before the Legislative Council on Thursday, it is intended to move the insertion of a new clause.

It is explained in this connexion that section 32 of the Magistrates Ordinance, 1890, provides that if a defendant is fined a sum not exceeding \$5, and if he has on him money equal to the amount of his fine, any money found on him may be appropriated to the payment of his fine. It is now proposed to amend the section by reading \$25 for \$5. This amendment is put forward in view of a contemplated increase of the maximum fine for mendicancy from \$5 to \$25. Beggars sometimes have comparatively large sums in their possession. The provision may be useful in other cases also.

MOTOR FIRMS AT LAW.

JUDGMENT FOR GOODS SOLD.

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Wood, Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. (China), Ltd., Prince's Buildings, claimed against the Dragon Motor Livery Service, 24, Des Voeux Road Central for \$453.18, being the balance due for goods sold and delivered. Mr. W. D. Owen represented the plaintiffs and the defendants were represented by Mr. D. McCallum.

Mr. McCallum stated that the defendants were prepared to consent to judgment, but asked for a stay of execution.

Mr. Owen offered no objection and judgment was entered for the plaintiff for claim and costs, execution to be stayed for 14 days.

JAPAN RIOTS.

(Continued from Page 7.)

Growing Influence of Labour.

The tenant-farmer has, however, organized himself and, to-day, the village tiller of the soil is no longer the clay in the potter's hand that he used to be. The rural community which is articulate and literate insists on its right, and when passion takes the place of reason, disturbances break out. Formerly, the farmers have had to fight their battles alone; but to-day labour everywhere, not only agricultural labour but even urban labour, readily backs their cause. They naturally feel very much elated as well as encouraged and present a stiff attitude to the landlords, such attitude, taking the form of refusing to pay the land rent, unless such is reduced, and challenging the landlord to do his worst. The landlord is usually well-to-do and appeals to the law, the law as it is to-day generally having no other alternative but to declare in favour of the landlord whose position from a legal point of view is unassailable.

The tenant farmers have often complained to the government that due to the high cost of living, they are unable to make both ends meet, unless their land rents are materially reduced. Formerly, they asked that, in the event of flood, earth quake, or insect plagues ruining their crops, they should be given a substantial reduction. Today, however, their attitude is more adamant and they demand that, as Japanese, they have just as much a right to be able to live as any other Japanese and declare that either their rents should be reduced or the Government should subsidise them.

wished for my company she would probably have asked for it."

Tarleton was waiting impatiently for Lady Rosa's exit to speak to the Duke on the subject of his wife's startling project. It was out of the question that the Duchess should be allowed to leave England while the double mystery was still unsolved, but it was not an easy task to intimate such a prohibition to the haughty nobleman.

Lady Rosa had not yet reached the door, and her father had not yet found any reply to her sarcastic remarks, when Captain Theobald suddenly re-entered with a face of dismay.

"Dr. Tarleton, what is to be done? Falai has just bolted!"

"Ha!" burst from the gratified Duke. "Just what might have been expected."

"Why has he fled?" asked the cautious expert.

"He refused to stay any longer because, he said, there was a murderer in the house, and he was shielding him from discovery."

Lady Rosa burst into tears.

(To be Continued.)

"MERRIE ENGLAND."

LAST NIGHT'S PRESENTATION.

Another very successful performance of "Merrie England" was given by the Philharmonic Society at the Theatre Royal last night, when further congratulations were heard regarding the extremely fine way in which the opera was produced. One could not help remarking especially upon the excellence of the musical side of the production. The orchestra (under Mr. Fitz-Earle) was especially good, and the chorus singing, although at times little over-robust, was some of the best heard in the Colony for a long time past. The conductor deserves high praise indeed for the manner in which he has obtained the very best out of the talent available.

All the principals again carried through their parts with success, and there were several demands for encores. Although the curtain rises promptly at nine o'clock the opera is not finished until midnight (the wait during the one interval is by no means long) and one felt that some of the incidental songs could have been "cut." The second act does not go with enough swing, but that is the only criticism which one could offer.

Last evening's performance was honoured by the presence of H. E. the Governor and Lady Clementi. There was a large attendance.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is one solution to the puzzle on another page.

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SATISFACTION FELT AT AGREEMENT.

London, Dec. 12.

Sir Austen Chamberlain in a press interview after the Polish-Lithuanian agreement had been reached, referred to the settlement as a good illustration of the useful work that could be done for peace by the League of Nations.

On this occasion the Council had been able to remove the fictitious state of war existing between the two countries, which though it had not given rise to acts of war, had obviously lent itself to misunderstandings and had prevented progress in peaceful relationship.

He hoped that the agreement would be the first steps in the gradual settlement of all difficulties between Poland and Lithuania. He regarded the solution not only as eminently satisfactory in itself, and in its effect on the relations between these two countries, but as a satisfactory proof of the desire to co-operate in the preservation of peace, which now animates all the Great Powers of Europe. He included Russia in this tribute, adding that he believed M. Litvinoff had rendered good service in this matter.

Commenting on the settlement the Daily News says: "Thanks to the League the dangerous crisis in Eastern Europe has been reduced to manageable dimensions and the threat of war definitely averted."—British Wireless.

PROPERTY SALE.

PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI LOTS.

Mr. N. V. A. Croucher was the purchaser of three lots of property which were put up for public auction by Messrs. Lammet Bros. at their auction rooms, 8a Duddell Street yesterday, by order of the mortgagees. The total selling prices amounted to \$304,850.

The first lot to be disposed of was Nos. 161-171 Praya East, registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 283, sections C.D.H. Area about 11,593 square feet, proportion of Crown rent \$210.64 per annum. Bidding started at \$165,000 and rose by \$1,000 bids to \$167,250. It was knocked down for \$167,250.

The second lot was vacant land in Wanchai Road, on which were previously erected houses Nos. from 100-118 (even numbers). The land is registered in the Land Office as Inland No. 499 section D, and the remaining portion and Marine Lot No. 271, section D. Area about 11,386 square feet. Proportion of Crown rent \$163.94. The first bid was \$91,000, and rose to \$92,000 after which it was sold for \$92,600.

Lot No. 3 was vacant land situated at Praya East on which

ANNUAL DINNER.

H.K. UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The annual dinner of the Hongkong University Medical Society was held last Saturday, at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Among those present were H. E. Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi, accompanied by Capt. Whyte, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Prof. and Mrs. Tottenham, Prof. Anderson, Prof. and Mrs. Wang, Prof. and Mrs. Sheil, Mr. and Mrs. Finnigan, Mr. A. H. Fenwick, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Phoon, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Dr. and Mrs. Harston, Dr. Kirk, and about 100 medical students.

H. E. in proposing the toast of the Medical Society, said that he should be the last person to be chosen to propose that toast because his chief aim in life was to keep himself out of the way of doctors. Nevertheless, as Chancellor of the University, it was a real pleasure to him to take a keen interest in its activities. "The Medical Society," said H. E. "was founded by Prof. Digby and Dr. Thomas, with Dr. Francis Clarke as the first President." H. E. met Dr. Clarke in Weihow, and found him as active as ever.

H. E. felt that Dr. Clarke would have enjoyed being present at the Dinner, and referred to the inevitable absence of Dr. Addison, owing to his loss of health. H. E. expressed the hope that Dr. Addison would rapidly recover health and strength on his return to England, and that the co-related work of the Medical Society and the Henry Leister Research Institute in Shanghai would result in great developments in medical science in the Far East.

In reply, Professor Tottenham outlined the activities of the Medical Society, with special reference to its journal, the Caduceus. He stated that the Medical Society played two important parts. Internally, it stimulated research, while externally, it made the work of the members of the Society known outside Hongkong, and kept the members in touch with the graduates residing in other parts of the world.

Dancing commenced immediately after the toasts were drunk.

DENMARK'S PRINCE.

ON PRIVATE VISIT TO LONDON.

London, Dec. 12.

The Crown Prince of Denmark arrived in London last night on a private visit.—British Wireless.

were formerly erected houses known as Nos. 175-183 Praya East, registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 271 section C, and the remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 283 section F. Bidding started at \$143,000, further offers being \$144,000 and \$144,500. The lot was sold for \$145,000.

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BOARD OF TRADE.

RETURNS FOR NOVEMBER SHOW INCREASES.

London, Dec. 12.

The Board of Trade returns for the month of November show imports amounting to £107,417,000 and exports amounting to £70,609,000, increases of £2,387,000 and £9,442 respectively as compared with October.—Reuter.

CHINESE COLLECTION.

FAMOUS PORCELAINS FOR SALE.

New York, Dec. 12.

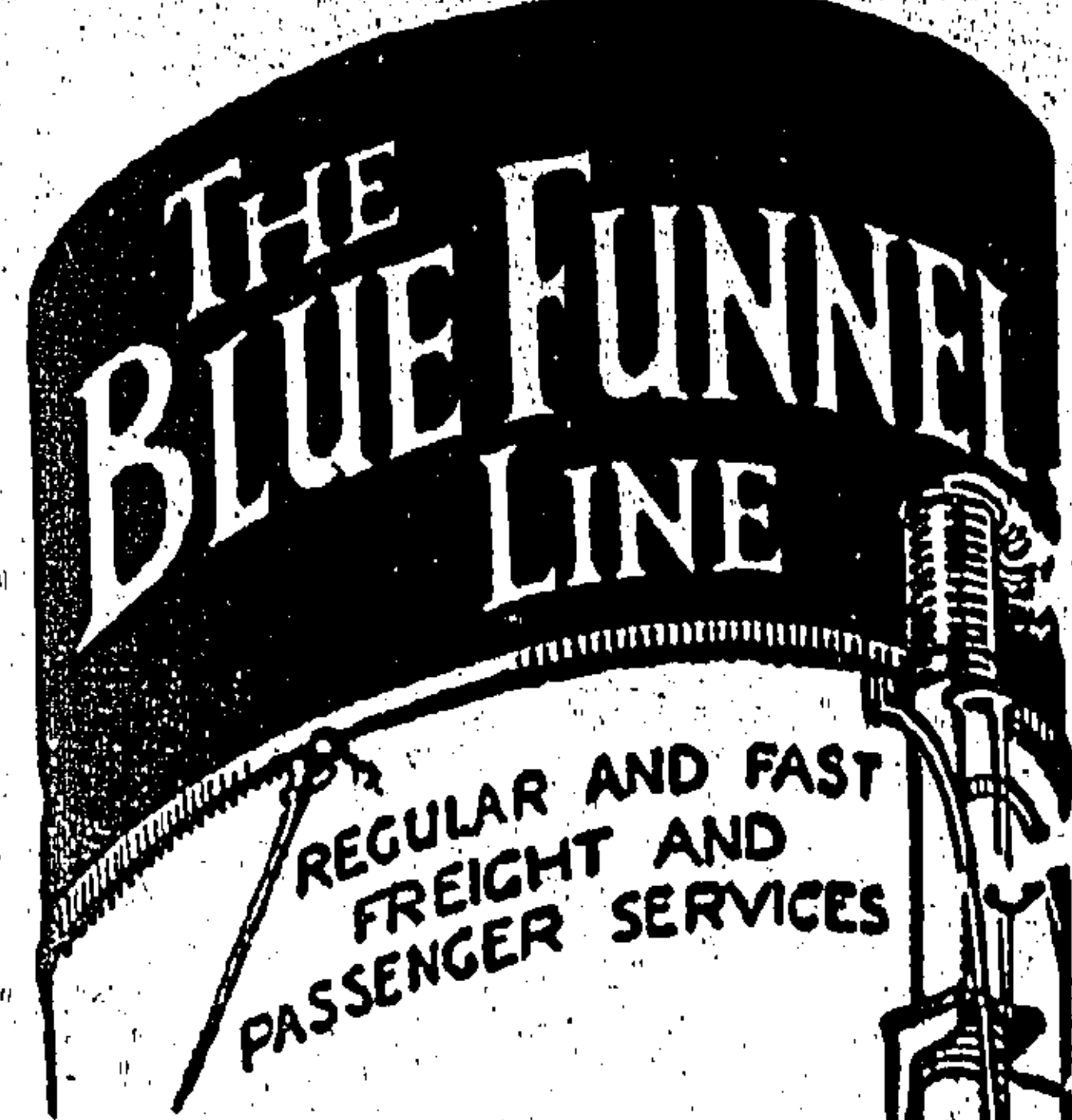
The famous Voth collection of Chinese porcelains and jades, which has been exhibited for the past twenty-five years at Birmingham Museum, will be sold at Anderson Galleries on Thursday.—Reuter's American Service.

CHINA EXPEDITION.

£3,090,000 NEEDED TO COVER COST.

London, Dec. 12.

The army supplementary estimates have been issued. The sum of £3,090,000 is the further amount that will be required during the year ending March 31 next, to meet the cost of the troops sent to China.—Reuter.



LONDON SERVICE

"DIOMEDE"	13th Dec	Mar'les, London, R'dam & Hamburg
"PATROCLUS"	27th Dec	Mar'les, London, R'dam & Glasgow
"ORONTES"	10th Jan	Mar'les, London, R'dam & Hamburg
"ANTENOR"	25th Jan	Mar'les, London, R'dam & Glasgow

Via Casablanca.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

"PELEUS"	21st Dec	Gonos, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"PATROCLUS"	27th Dec	Gonos, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"MENTOR"	20th Feb	Gonos, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"ACHILLES"	5th Mar	Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE

via Kobe & Yokohama

"ACHILLES"	17th Dec	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle
"TYNDAROS"	7th Jan	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle

NEW YORK SERVICE

"MAORION"	18th Dec	New York, Boston & Baltimore
"LYCAON"	9th Mar	New York, Boston & Baltimore

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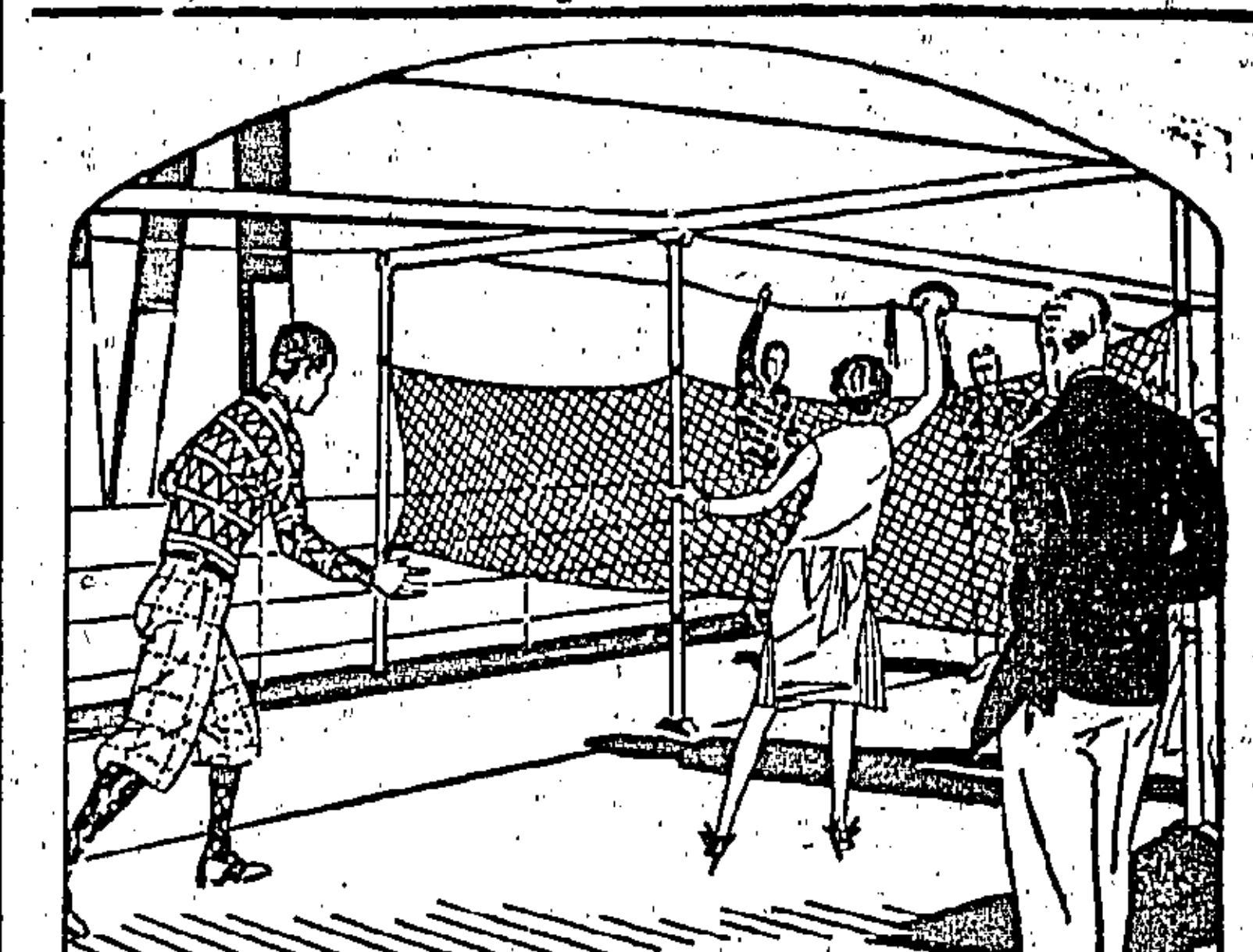
"PATROCLUS"	27th Dec	Singapore, Marseilles & London
"ANTENOR"	25th Jan	Singapore, Marseilles & London
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Pres. Monroe ... Sun., Jan. 15, 8 a.m.	Pres. Hayes ... Sun., Feb. 26, 8 a.m.

TO MANILA

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KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	M'les, L'don, A'worp & Hull
MORSA	10,953	7th Jan. 1928	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,114	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	M'les, L'don, A'worp & Hull
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
KETTER	9,114	18th Feb.	M'les, L'don, A'worp & Hull
MACDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	M'les, L'don, A'worp & Hull
KASHMIR	9,135	17th Mar.	Marseilles & London
KARMALA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
KALYAN	10,953	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
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TAKLIWA	7,936	24th Dec.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVA	8,097	1st Jan. 1928	(Shanghai, Moji & Kobe)
ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	7th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
NELLORE	6,553	14th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVAR	9,114	21st Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MACDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,656	7th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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In addition there were over two hundred wreaths sent by other members of the Chinese community.

Victim of Motor Accident

Laid to Rest.

The late Leading Aircraftman Ronald J. French who was killed in a motor accident on the Prince Edward Road on Saturday night, was accorded a full military funeral yesterday evening, the interment taking place in the Protestant Cemetery.

The deceased, who was attached to the Kai Tak Aerodrome, was a bachelor and only 25 years of age. He was a keen cricketer and talented out for the Force on several occasions.

The funeral yesterday was attended by many of the deceased's late comrades, including several officers and civilians.

Leaving the Naval Mortuary at 4.20 p.m. the coffin, draped in a Union Jack, was borne on a gun carriage to the entrance of the Cemetery

by members of the Royal Air Force, who were preceded by the Royal Marine Band of H. M. S. Hawkins and a firing party from the R. A. F.

Immediately behind the coffin was a large contingent of men from the Kai Tak Base.

Officers in attendance were Group Captain Robertson, Flight Lieut. Howell, Flight Lieut. Gardner, Flying Lieut. Mellow and Webb, Lieut. Hillebeck, R.N., and Lieut. Pindley, R.N. There were also present Messrs. W. Brace, W. Taylor, A. Blyth, Police Sergeant Brooks, and Messrs. W. McCubbin, R. Winterston and R. L. Barkus of the s.s. Wai Shing (representing Mr. D. S. Pethick who is the Chief Officer of that ship).

Wreaths were placed on the grave from "The Birth Day Party" with the inscription, "We'll sadly miss (but never forget) you Hoggy." Commanding Officer and officers of the Royal Air Force Base, Group Captain C. D. M. Robert, D. P. C., and officers of fleet air arm, Headquarters, Royal Air Force, Grickel Club Marine Ratings of the Royal Air Force Base, Kai Tak; Members of Sergeants' Mess, R. A. F.; Corporals and men of Cameron Road (Camp) R. A. F. of H. M. S. Argus; Sergeants' Mess of Cameron Road; His Comrades at Cameron Road; Mr. D. S. Pethick, Mr. and Mrs. George and family; the Misses S. Wai Union Jack, was borne on a gun carriage to the entrance of the Cemetery of the Club de Recreo.

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STEAMER ON FIRE.

CARGO OF MATCHES CAUSES BIG BLAZE.

Foochow, Dec. 12.

The s.s. Hsin Ning Shin caught fire at midnight in the No. 1 and 2 holds. Much cargo has been destroyed.

The fire is believed to be due to a cargo of matches. The fire spread to the bunkers, but is now under control.

The U. S. S. Asheville is standing by and rendering assistance.—Reuter.

drawn by members of the Royal Air Force, who were preceded by the Royal Marine Band of H. M. S. Hawkins and a firing party from the R. A. F.

Immediately behind the coffin was a large contingent of men from the Kai Tak Base.

Officers in attendance were Group Captain Robertson, Flight Lieut. Howell, Flight Lieut. Gardner, Flying Lieut. Mellow and Webb, Lieut. Hillebeck, R.N., and Lieut. Pindley, R.N. There were also present Messrs. W. Brace, W. Taylor, A. Blyth, Police Sergeant Brooks, and Messrs. W. McCubbin, R. Winterston and R. L. Barkus of the s.s. Wai Shing (representing Mr. D. S. Pethick who is the Chief Officer of that ship).

Wreaths were placed on the grave from "The Birth Day Party" with the inscription, "We'll sadly miss (but never forget) you Hoggy." Commanding Officer and officers of the Royal Air Force Base, Group Captain C. D. M. Robert, D. P. C., and officers of fleet air arm, Headquarters, Royal Air Force, Grickel Club Marine Ratings of the Royal Air Force Base, Kai Tak; Members of Sergeants' Mess, R. A. F.; Corporals and men of Cameron Road (Camp) R. A. F. of H. M. S. Argus; Sergeants' Mess of Cameron Road; His Comrades at Cameron Road; Mr. D. S. Pethick, Mr. and Mrs. George and family; the Misses S. Wai Union Jack, was borne on a gun carriage to the entrance of the Cemetery of the Club de Recreo.

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Hongkong, December 12, 1927.

Obituary.

OLD SERVANT OF STEAM-BOAT COMPANY.

The death is reported by cable from Melbourne of Captain A. Mackinnon, for over 20 years a valued servant of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company and one of the most popular skippers on the river.

Captain Mackinnon was a native of New Zealand and joined the Company in 1904. After a period of service as mate of the Fatsan he joined the ship as master in 1924. It was from this ship that he was granted special sick leave in July 1926 and not improving, he passed away in mail

Captain Mackinnon at the age of 49 leaves a widow and two children, all of whom were present at the death and to whom the heartfelt sympathy of all friends of the deceased on the China Coast will be extended.

STUDENT RIOTS.

WORSHIPPERS STRIPPED AND BEATEN.

London, Dec. 12.

Fresh excesses by Rumanian students in Transylvania are reported from Vienna, from Budapest and from Belgrade. The Chief Rabbi at Nagyvarad has proclaimed a forty days fast as the result of the desecration of the synagogues and the destruction of holy documents.

Further disorders are reported to have occurred at Khetsenburg. Jewish shops were plundered. Jassy students entered the synagogues, drove worshippers outside, and stripped and beat them, till the military dispersed the students with a fire hose. Nagyszalonta peasants, armed with scythes, reinforced the shopkeepers and routed the students.—Reuter.

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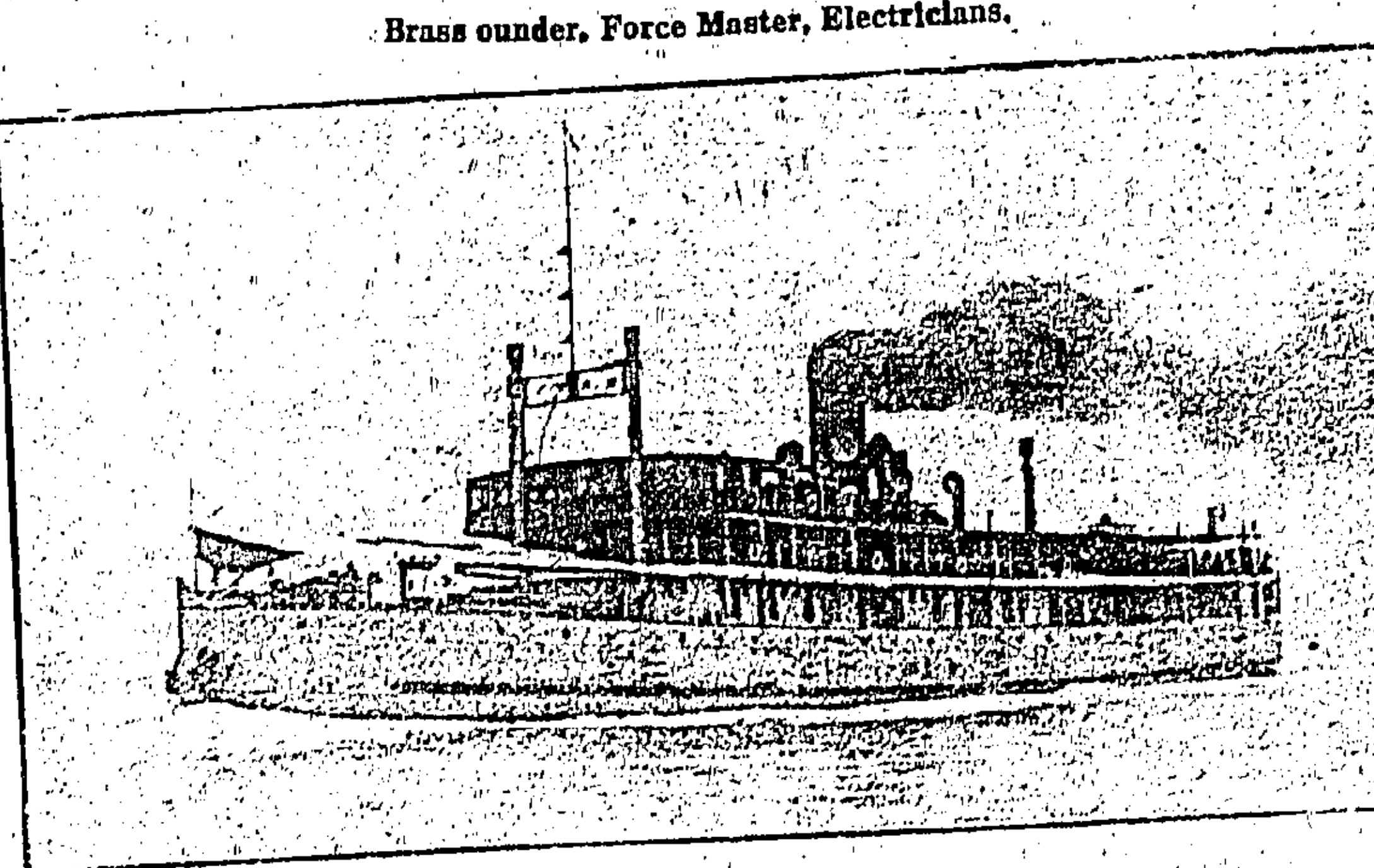
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PREPARING TO OUST
"REDS."

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called on Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and showed him the telegram. General Li declared to "Ching" that Wang Ching-wei had always aided Wang Ki-cheung and guaranteed that he was not "Red." General Li then enumerated Wang's "crimes" in inducing the "Reds" to terrorise the Cantonese people, and warned Ching not to be fooled by Wang again. Wang Ching-wei is said to have admitted that he learned of the coup beforehand but explained that he had ordered General Chang Fat-kwai to beware of Wang Ki-cheung, who is known as having joined the "Reds." Wang admitted that the "Red" revolt was due to Chang Fat-kwai but he did not expect Wang Ki-cheung to turn "Red."

The Cantonese business leaders and commercial bodies in Shanghai, who were greatly indignant on hearing the "Red" revolt, are raising money for General Li Chai-sun, who has promised to lead the coming anti-"Red" expedition in Kwangtung.—Nam Chung Pao.

POSITION OF FOREIGNERS.

Leaving Outlying Districts.

Canton, Dec. 12. Although no anti-foreign feeling is yet visible as the result of the Communist coup, the foreigners in the outlying districts are evacuating as rapidly as conveniently possible.

The Communists are still in power, but they are not holding their position without a struggle, and shooting still continues all over the city. Many more buildings have been set on fire by incendiaries, and already a colossal amount of damage must have been done.—Nasal Wireless.

THE RIVAL FORCES.

More Anti-"Red" Activity.

Chinese believe that within a few days the "Reds" will be cleared out of Canton by the combined armies of the "Papersides" and "Ironsides" whose number will, it is thought, outnumber the "Reds." At Honam, it is estimated in a vernacular report, there are about 3,000 "Papersides" under General Li Fuk-lum and at the Bocca Tiger Port there is an army of 1,500 "Ironsides" whilst at Whampoa they are said to have 2,000 troops ready to attack Canton to drive out the "Reds."

Further, it is learned that yesterday large numbers of "Ironsides" rushed back to Kowloon from the Toisan and Sunwui districts. These soldiers, belonging to Generals Li Fuk-lum and Hsieh Yo, said to number 2,000, are due to leave Kowloon by boat and proceed to Honam to join in the general counter-attack to retake Canton. It was expected that they would arrive at Canton yesterday afternoon.

The "Reds," on the other hand, appear to be determined to hold Canton. A vernacular paper declares that "Reds" immediately after the insurrection sent a large number of men to the various districts in the vicinity of Canton to enlist and recruit more peasants and labourers. But the general belief in Chinese circles is that the odds will still be against the "Reds" as the Navy at Canton is still loyal to the anti-"Red" party.

LOOTING AND PILLAGE.

A Reign of Terror.

Some particulars of the looting and pillage perpetrated by the "Reds" at Canton were gathered yesterday on the arrival of the steamers, by stories of Chinese passengers many of whom were eye-witnesses of the lawlessness then rife.

The biggest haul, undoubtedly, was that made at the Central Bank at which building the "Reds" were said to have made good their escape with at least a few millions dollars worth of silver. (This caused the heavy drop in Central Bank notes at Hongkong yesterday.)

All the larger shops and hongs were visited by the "Reds," who threatened shops which closed their doors by declaring that if they were not admitted into the shop they would start a fire outside, thus destroying not only the commodities, the persons, but the buildings as well. Practically, in all cases, the doors were opened by the foks.

However, there were a few stubborn shop-owners who valued their goods and money more than their lives and this explained the breaking out of the many fires.

"Canton was all red and bright with blazes at various parts of the city, on Sunday night," was the simple sentence uttered by a Chinese passenger to a representative of the Telegraph who approached him and asked him what Canton was like when he left the city. The biggest of the fires, probably, was the one in Fung Cheun, which lasted for several hours.

COMPANY REPORT.

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The report of the above company for presentation to the shareholders at the ninth ordinary yearly meeting, to be held at the head office of the Company, St. George's Building, on the 22nd inst., states:

The Directors have now to lay before the shareholders a statement of accounts for the 12 months ended 30th September, 1927. The gross profit for the above period is\$478,688.41
Plus Scrip Fees and
Dividends Forfeited 238.10
Amount brought forward from last year 52,575.40
Difference in Dividend 2.43
Account 1923/1924

\$531,504.34

After allowing for:—
Interest\$ 33,728.17
Directors' and Auditors' Fees 10,265.31
Donations, compensation, etc., Dividend previously written off now paid, and loss on showroom trading, as per Profit and loss Account 6,615.78
Amount written off value of Crown Leases 3,168.68
Depreciation 107,882.93

The balance to be dealt with is\$309,843.42

Which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—
To place to credit of Reserve for Special Repairs, and Change of Voltage, bringing the amount of this Reserve back to \$200,000\$ 60,219.03
To pay a Dividend of 8 per cent., or 40 cents per share, on 400,000 "Old" Shares 160,000.00
To pay a Dividend of 8 per cent., or 16 cents per share, on 199,850 "New" Shares 31,976.00
To carry forward to next year's Account 57,648.39
\$309,843.42

Directors.—On the 21st April, 1927, New Articles of Association were adopted; the Consulting Committee ceased to exist, and a Board of Directors took its place. The Members of the Consulting Committee, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. H. P. White, C. A. di Rosa, A. H. Compton and Lee Hysan, became the first Directors of the Company, with Mr. R. G. Shewan, the ex-officio Director, as Chairman. Under Article 95 of the New Articles of Association, Messrs. A. H. Compton and Lee Hysan retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election. Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, who are recommended for re-election.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—

(a) A long sixteenth-century cannon; (b) a drain under a road; (c) a blind alley; 2. March or April 3. Because it generates a cold, monsoon; 4. "Ching" was 4. The "Fradai" Son; 5. "Ching" was 6. It runs in north-easterly direction from the mouth of the Tzei; 7. The "Kos" and the "Grapes"; the fox, unable to reach the grapes, said they were "not ripe"; 8. The "curlew" tells the "knell of meeting day"; 9. Yes; 10. A man who cuts forest timber and shapes it for market; 11. 32deg.; 21deg.; 12. William the Conqueror; William Rufus; Henry I.; Stephen.

TO-DAY.

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(Fung Cheun is a suburb of Canton.)

On the streets and roads, desperadoes seized all well-dressed persons and robbed them. Resistance would result only in death.

Most of the looting and burning was no doubt perpetrated by the 1,000 or more "Reds" prisoners who had been kept in prison for several months and who were released immediately after the coup.

In the heart of the city and on Tai Ping Street, on which most of the biggest jade manufacturers have their businesses, shops were ransacked and robbed. In Shiu Shee Street where most of the goldsmiths shop are concentrated, the "Reds" must have collected a big haul as most of the shops were entered by ruffians who declared that they were members of the "Red" army.

Most of the jewellery shops in Tai Ping Street, and Sai Wing Lane, Salkwan, were robbed by the "Red" desperadoes. The "Reds" not only took away money and valuables from the shops, but even the clothing and daily necessities of the foks.

It is estimated that from 100 to 200 houses were gutted.

RUSSIAN'S STORY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

In Canton Prison.

Probably thinking he was a "Red," a patrol of Chinese troops, dressed in green uniforms, arrested him on his arrival at the Southern port, and confined him in a prison. He was well-treated, but later was transferred in a gunboat to Canton. No questions were put to him, and in a Chinese prison in Canton he spent four more months, having for companions a crowd of Chinese criminals, and for his daily diet, plenty of rice and salted vegetable, but little of meat. As a consequence, Bykoff admits that he was far from being well-nourished, but says that was of little consideration when compared with the dreadful suspense he was put in during those months.

Confined with a number of other prisoners, he had the unhappy experience of witnessing from his cage from day to day, the execution of forty Chinese in the prison yard, by Chinese soldiers. They were taken out of his cell in batches of two or three, and Bykoff was far from being reassured when, in reply to anxious enquiries as to what the authorities intended to do with him, his gaoler said enigmatically "bye-and-bye you see."

Prison Opened.

However, on Saturday, at four o'clock in the morning, Bykoff was awakened by an uproar and the firing of shots, this marking the first stage in the Communist coup. Soldiers wearing red scarves and arm-bands, broke into the prison. They knocked down the entrances into the cells, and freed the prisoners by chopping their chains asunder.

Then Bykoff was pleasantly surprised to find himself free. Without stopping to question the import of all these dramatic doings, he thought only of the opportunity of escape presented by the open door, and ran blindly into the street. He went through a maze of alleys to find them all deserted, and strewn with dead bodies. Those killed were soldiers, workmen and policemen in uniform, the last predominating in numbers. Whenever accosted by a patrol, careering about in a motor-car draped with red, he would say he was a Russian, and the soldiers were glad to let him go his way unmolested, thinking he was a "Red." After two hours of wandering, Bykoff at length made his way to the Bund. The a.s. Taisan was then just coming in. He got on board, and, on promising to report himself to the police on arrival in Hongkong, was allowed a free passage by the Chief Officer.

Bykoff, questioned in regard to his stay in the prison at Canton, said that for a period he had the companionship of another Russian who was confined in the same cell. This man later escaped, leaving his name "Demikoff" carved on the wall.

Demikoff was the man who appeared before the Police Court last week, and, like Bykoff, he is now confined in the House of Detention, until arrangements have been made to ship the pair back to Shanghai.

POLICE RESERVE
ORDERS.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police:

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hongkong section on Thursday, December 15th will start from the Central Police Station as usual at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Khaki.

General: (Part 3 Musketry). The following Police Reservists will attend at the Kennedy Road Revolver Range in mufti on Sunday, December 18th at 10.30 a.m. sharp for instruction in revolver shooting under Inspector H. J. Paterson. 5 men to be detailed by O. C. Chinese Company; 2 men to be detailed by O. C. Indian Company; 24 men to be detailed by O. C. Flying Squad.

All members who have not passed the Recruits Pistol course are to attend.

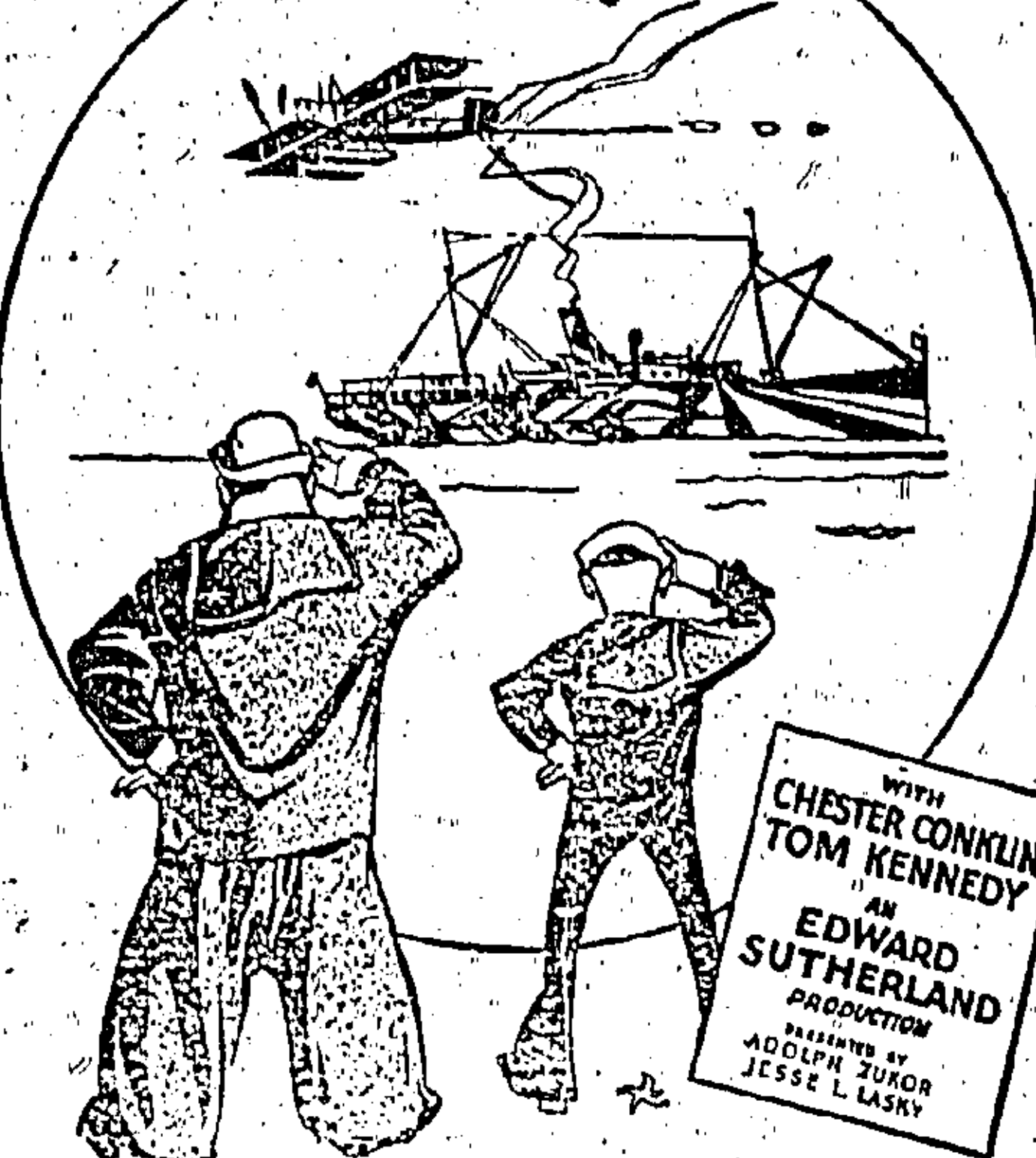
Police Training School. Classes for instruction in Part 2 of training course will be held at the Police Training School under Inspector H. J. Paterson on Thursday, December 15th and Tuesday, December 20th commencing both evenings at 6.30 p.m. sharp.

Training Part 1. All members of the Police Reserve who have not yet passed out as efficient in Part 1 will parade in mufti at the Central Police Station for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergeant R. J. Hunt as follows:—
Chinese Company on Thursday, December 15th and Tuesday, December 20th.

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